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**WHITEAWAY'S**

## BRITISH TROOPS PUSH DEEP INTO ETHIOPIA: TAKE IMPORTANT TOWN

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, MAR. 14 (UP).—GENERAL HEADQUARTERS ANNOUNCED TO-DAY THAT BRITISH TROOPS HAD CAPTURED ATSOSA IN ETHIOPIA.

IT WAS ALSO REVEALED THAT THE BRITISH OFFENSIVE IN WESTERN ETHIOPIA HAD CARRIED OUR FORCES 35 MILES INSIDE THE FRONTIER FROM ANGLO-EGYPTIAN SUDAN.

## R.A.F. CONTINUES OFFENSIVE

While Nazis Lose Heavily

Special to the "Telegraph"

The tremendous striking power of the Royal Air Force during the past three days, both in attack and defence, is further emphasised by "United Press" despatches from London received here this morning.

## FEAR OF STARVATION IN EIRE

DUBLIN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—People had died from starvation before, but if they took care now it would not happen here even if the war lasted a long time, said Mr Eamonn de Valera, Prime Minister of Eire, in the Dail to-day.

The greatest of all calamities they had to fear, he said, was that they would not have enough food. If the circumstances got so bad that such steps were needed, the State might examine its rights to direct the use of private property.

They regarded such interference, unless it could be proved absolutely necessary, as otherwise because it created greater problems than those which it sought to solve.

There would be considerable unemployment and it could not be avoided.

### Aircraft Trespasses

DUBLIN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—An unidentified aircraft flew over Dublin Bay about noon to-day and was fired on by the ground defences.

This statement was issued by the Eire Government this afternoon.

## NAZI AIR RAID CASUALTIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The official news agency reports that over 50 persons were killed or buried when the Barnecker and Saint Gerogen hospitals received direct hits from bombs last night. It is claimed that the R.A.F. again dropped bombs on the residential area.

### Twenty-Six Killed

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The evening paper states that 20 people were killed and 20 injured as the result of the R.A.F. raid on Berlin on Wednesday.

## U. S. Defence Materials Shipped to Britain

WASHINGTON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Some defence material, transferred from the United States to Britain, has already started for its destination.

Colonel Henry L. Stimson, the War Secretary, announcing this to-day, said that he did not give details as he thought it a premature disclosure and would be unfair to Britain.

### Transfer of Ships

WASHINGTON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—There had been no decision as regards transferring additional naval craft to Britain, declared President Roosevelt at the press conference to-day.

Reports of transferring 100 naval

Meanwhile, Ethiopian patriots had occupied positions near Debra Markos and were now within 115 miles of Addis Ababa.

This announcement indicates a rapid movement towards Addis Ababa along a new route which was opened when the British forces regained control of the western plateau escarpment.

### Resistance Dying

NAIROBI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—British operations in Abyssinia continue according to plan while mopping-up operations in Italian Somaliland are rapidly ending with the capture or surrender of the last remnants of the enemy.

These latest developments are contained in an official communiqué, which adds: "Since the advent of the topes and slouch hats of the Imperial troops, which are now a familiar feature in Italian Somaliland as they were in Kenya, fresh confidence has been instilled in many native inhabitants and conditions throughout the occupied territory are rapidly becoming normal."

## NO RACES TO-DAY

It was officially announced this morning, that owing to the state of the course, the first extra race meeting scheduled for this afternoon, has been postponed.

This is the third occasion since the start of the current racing season, that programmes have been postponed owing to the weather.

Two daily schedules were affected this way during the annual meeting.

Yesterday evening it was reported that the R.A.F. made an offensive sweep of North France during the afternoon. Numerous explosions were heard from the French coast.

Referring to Nazi raids on Britain during Thursday, the Air Ministry reveals that thirteen raiders were destroyed during the night.

An R.A.F. communiqué from Cairo declares that on Thursday British fighters downed four enemy planes which were escorted by over 50 fighters, while the R.A.F. suffered no losses.

British bombers also visited Valona and the air base on Sassen Island, causing considerable damage, while Tripoli was heavily raided.

### Exports From India

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Raj has decided with effect from a date to be announced shortly, that exports from India to destinations outside the British Empire should be permitted only on conditions that the goods concerned are not insured against marine and war risks with enemy companies.

## SHIPPING SECRECY

Transportation Regulation Published To-day

The following order is published in to-day's "Government Gazette":

1. No person shall display or publish for general information any notice, list or advertisement containing: (a) the names, tonnage or sailing dates of any British or allied ships or of any neutral ships which are under British or allied requisition or Government charter; or (b) any information relating to the arrival in or departure from this Colony of any person by land, sea or air.

2. Nothing in this order shall prevent the giving of reasonable and necessary information by shipping offices and travel agencies confidentially to their customers.

3. This order may be cited as the Publication of Shipping and Travel Information Order, 1941.

## MR MENZIES' VISIT TO U.S.

—On Way Home

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—At the impending conclusion

of his visit to Britain Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, will possibly be able to fulfil his hopes and call at America en route for home.

Australia has many problems in common with the United States and Mr Menzies could discuss with President Roosevelt questions like shipping and bases, etc.

Mr Menzies' stay in Britain has been highly valuable not only to Australia but to members of the War Cabinet, of which he has been a member during his visit.

This was done under the Union's war regulations.

It was an action of the Union Government and no protest had been lodged by the French Minister in South Africa.

Questioned in the Assembly regarding the seizure of the vessel off the South African coast by a British warship, the Minister of Commerce declared that the vessel had not been seized but was ordered by the British warship to proceed to Cape Town where she was requisitioned for use by the Union or the Allies.

This was done under the Union's war regulations.

A bottle or carboy which has been emptied of its original commercial contents and refilled or partly refilled with material or liquid of no commercial value, will be considered empty for the purpose of this regulation.

The regulation became effective on March 14.

Optical Equipment

Mr E. W. Hamilton, Controller of Trade, is empowered to prohibit the export of optical glass and all equipment for the manufacture of optical instruments.

## Whole Battalions Of Italians Wiped Out

ATHENS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Whole battalions of Mussolini's troops were wiped out when the Italians resumed their offensive along a 17-mile front in Albania, says the Athens radio.

Fresh Italian troops brought from Italy were thrown into the battle. The Italian attacks were repeated and violent.

The action began with a heavy artillery bombardment and many Italian planes participated.

The first Italian onslaught was exceptionally fierce but completely failed. The Italians then brought up more reserves and made further attacks. These also failed under the withering fire of the Greeks who dealt destruction to the advancing enemy.

At many points, as soon as the Italians were repulsed, the Greeks pursued them and drove them from the positions to which they had fallen back.

## LATEST

Seizure Of French Ship

S. African Decision

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—South Africa has taken

the responsibility for the deten-

tion of the French cargo vessel,

Ville de Majunga.

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RETRIBUTION

Early Hitler Friend In

Hands Of Gestapo

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Dr

Fritz Thyssen, the well-known Ger-

man industrialist, was among the

group of political refugees living in

South France recently handed over

to the Germans by the Vichy

authorities under the Armistice

terms, according to French circles in

close touch with Vichy.

Thyssen is said to have been trans-

ferred from Cannes to a German

"sanatorium."

## "Considerable Men & Materials Were Captured"

This was the official claim made daily during the British offensive in the Western Desert, and here are two pictures to prove. In one photograph is shown a long line of Italian motor vehicles which the British forces captured, and the other picture shows an endless column of Italian soldiers marching back to British headquarters under escort.



## KING'S MESSAGE TO ALL INDIA

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—His Majesty has sent the following message to India:

"After the outbreak of war, I expressed confidence that in the coming struggle I could count on sympathy and support from every quarter in the Indian continent in the face of a common danger."

This confidence has been fully justified, for throughout the 18 hard months the help of the Princes and the people of India has been generous and unfailing.

The loyalty of the Indian Princes was never more openly displayed, while from the provinces, and the states, a constant invaluable stream of men, money and material has flowed to swell the Empire's war resources.

Moreover, while Indian fighting forces are upholding in many scattered theatres of war the military traditions for which India is justly famed, her people are giving freely to relieve suffering and distress.

"I thank the Princes and people of India from my heart for their noble response and their kind sympathy. I know that the ideals for which we are fighting are as deeply cherished in India as throughout the British Commonwealth. I am confident that the magnificent support which India has so readily and unsparingly given will be maintained until victory crowns our arms."

Viceroy Replies

The Viceroy has replied, sending on behalf of the Princes and the people of India warmest thanks for His Majesty's very gracious message.

The Viceroy added: "Nothing could be greater encouragement than in the common task that Your Majesty's generous words. I am confident that I speak for the Princes and people of India in assuring Your Majesty that no effort shall be spared on our part which can contribute to the triumph of our cause and the ideals for which we are fighting."

## Chinese Bring Down Six Japanese Planes

Special to the "Telegraph"

CHUNGKING, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is officially stated that six out of 12 Japanese bombers who were raiding Chengtu to-day were shot down by Chinese fighter planes. Four crashed near Chengtu while two others, which suffered serious damage in a running battle, crashed near Wanhsien.

A second batch of 19 Japanese planes went as far as Wanhsien and then returned to their bases.

Nine Japanese planes bombed Patung yesterday, while 11 Japanese planes attacked Enshih later the same day and dropped 20 bombs. Twelve houses were destroyed, but the casualties were slight.

One Chinese grounded plane was also destroyed when Japanese planes swooped low over the airfield, machine-gunning planes on the ground, the communiqué stated.

Other Japanese air units bombed the headquarters of the Chinese Sixth War Zone at En

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12.10 p.m. Short Service of Intercessions.

12.21 Mendelssohn—Octet in E Flat Major, Op. 20.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Irving Berlin Selections.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music by Mantovani and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Tino Rossi (Tenor) and the Orchestra Mascotte.

7.04 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk by Sir Hugh Walpole.

7.30 London Relay—Special Broadcast to the British Forces in the Far East.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 An hour of Popular Classics.

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour.'

9.30 Local sport results.

9.33 A Massenet Programme.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—'Music Hall.'

11.0 Dance Music with Variety.

12.0 midnight Close down.

### To-morrow's Programme

Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c.s. and on Short Wave from 12.15-2.30 p.m. and 8-10.30 p.m. on 0.52 m.c.s. per second.

10.0-11.0 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St Joseph's Church.

12.15 p.m. Beethoven—Concerto No. 5 in E Flat Major, Op. 73 "Emperor."

12.55 A Song by Leslie Ackland (Contralto).

Break Fairest Dawn (Handel).

1.0 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Noel Coward Programme.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Béla's "Carmen" Act III.

2.30 Close down.

6.45 Indian Programme.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—'Britain Speaks.'

Talk by the Hon. Mr. Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia.

7.30 A Light Orchestral Programme with Grace Moore (Soprano).

6.0 Local Time Signal.

8.02 Recital by Y. K. See (Base) and John Smith (Organ) from St John's Cathedral.

8.45 Studio—Book Reviews.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ARTS ASSOCIATION

Saturday, 22nd March, 1941.  
"THE HORSEDEALER'S STORY" and "ANDROCLES AND THE LION" Overture begins at 8.20 p.m. not 8.45 p.m. as previously advertised.

### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 20th March, 1941, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

### THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager, Hongkong, 7th March, 1941.

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 Talk by His Excellency The Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.C. from Government House.

9.30 Pops—Suite Orientale.

The Bajadore—On the Shores of the Ganges—The Dancers—The Patrol...Grand Symphony Orchestra.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 Excerpts from Handel's "The Messiah."

10.02 Bach—Toccata in C Minor.

Prelude—Adagio—Fugue (Allegro postento)—Fugue (Allegro energico) ... Artur Schnabel (Piano).

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

Conducted by a Minister of the Methodist Church.

10.35 Close down.

### G. R. UNITED KINGDOM FOOD IMPORTS

The attention of all importers of foodstuffs (including liquids) from the United Kingdom, is again drawn to Government Notification No. 282 of 7th March, 1941, which states inter alia,

"All firms, Hongkong companies and individuals who import foodstuffs (including liquids) directly to Hong Kong from the United Kingdom are required to register themselves at this office by letter on or before 15th March, 1941, when a number will be allotted to them in connexion with permission to import into this Colony from the United Kingdom. Importers are warned that failure to register by 15th March, 1941, may involve refusal of such permission if application is received at a later date."

D. L. NEWBIGGERING, Controller of Food. 13.3.41.

### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April "One thousand nine hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares as allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

"2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share." By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1941.

### NOTE:

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April, 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong on or before the 30th September, 1941, and that Shareholders be given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July, 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

### G. R. THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

A vacancy exists for a Second Engineer Officer in a ship under Board of Trade rules.

Particulars of service, etc., may be obtained from the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong, and application in writing should reach that Officer by noon 21st March, 1941.

Applicants must be British subjects, and of British race.

### G. R. NOTICE

#### DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

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20 cents per copy  
25 cents Saturdays

### CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE TO CONSUMERS

Notice is hereby given that the Company's standard charges will be increased as from 17th March, 1941, by adding a 10% surcharge to the amounts charged for electricity consumed for lighting and power per meters read on and after 24th April, 1941.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,

D. W. MUNTON,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1941.

### HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 31st March, 1941, at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 31st March, 1941, both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

E. COCK,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

### STOCK EXCHANGE

#### Reduced Cement Dividends Cause Decline

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, the market was very quiet, but generally firm except in industries where sentiment was adversely affected by reduced cement dividends, which caused a sharp decline of the shares concerned.

Home rails met further provincial inquiry while Brazilian bonds were again supported.

Oils were idle as also were Kaffirs apart from early Cape buying.

Wall Street was quietly steady.

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The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended—Yunnan, Szechuan, Kwelchow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Kwangsi (except Wuchow and Yungshien), North and East of Kwangtung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

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Calcutta, Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways" (except London) by sea from Singapore.

Calcutta and Straits ..... Mar. 21.

Canton ..... Mar. 22.

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 28th February) ..... Mar. 22.

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Saturday, March 15

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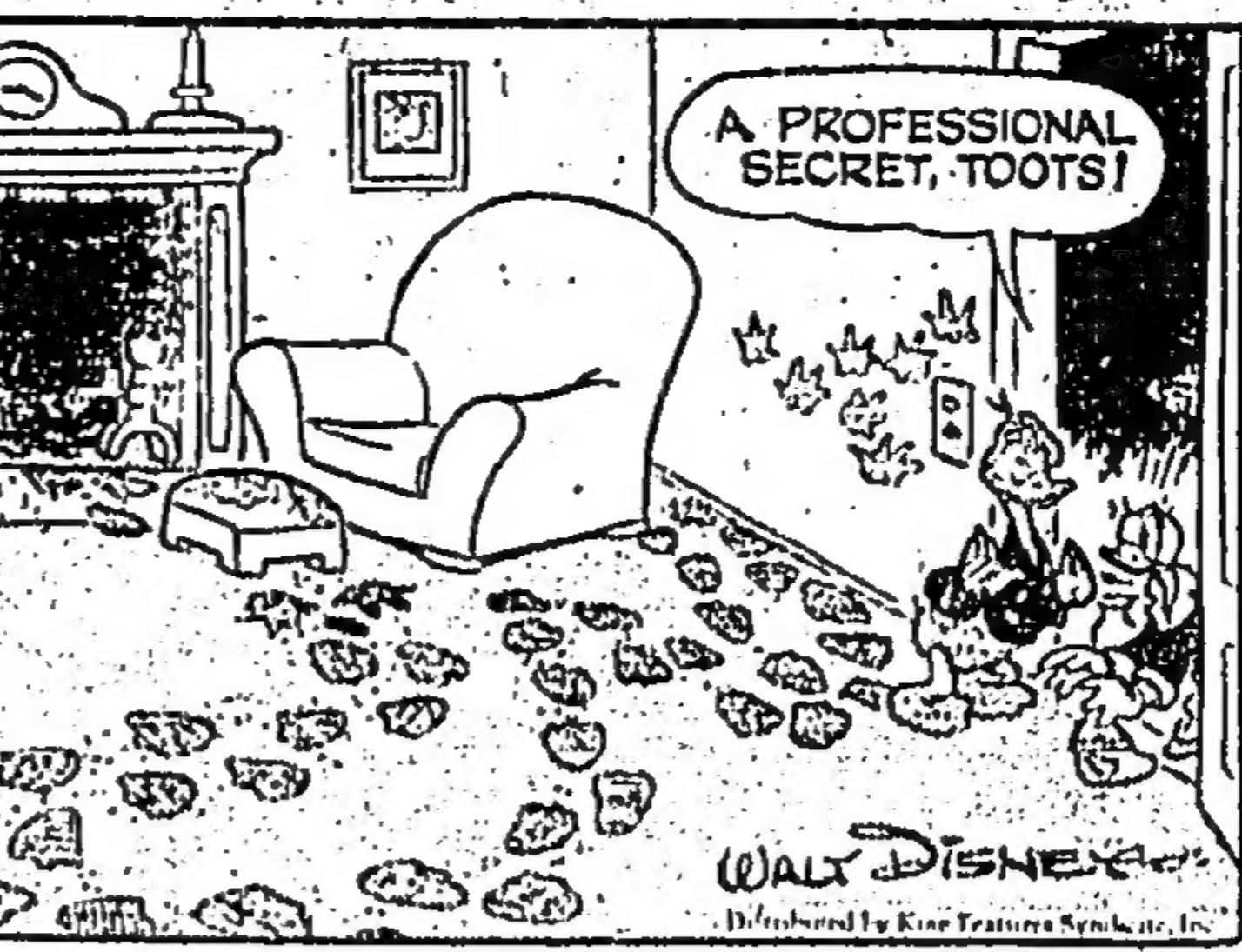
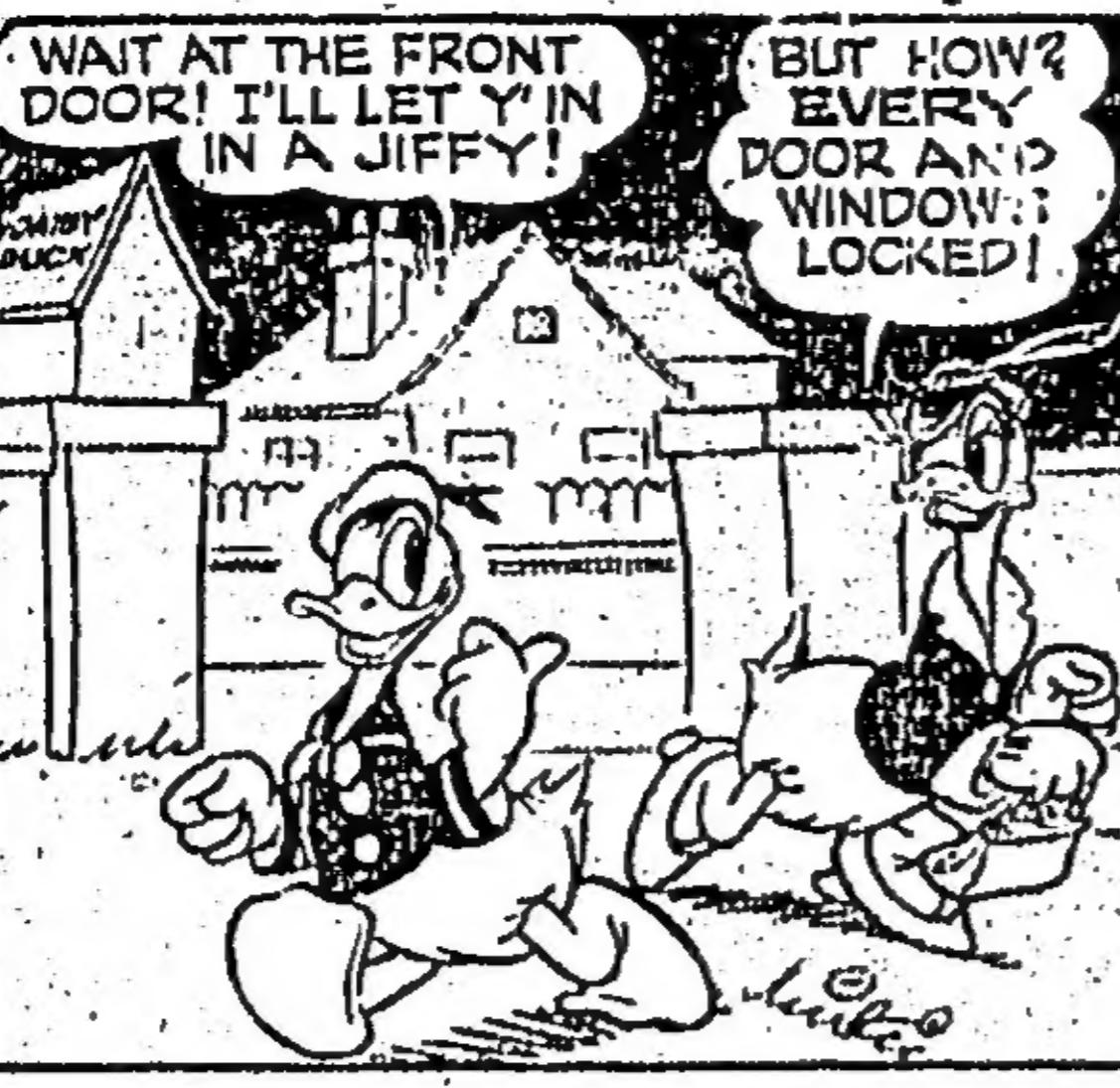
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HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

March 15, 1941.

## DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney

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The Final passage of the Lease and Lend Bill in the House of Representatives by 31 to 71 votes gives an impressive picture of the state of American feeling with regard to Nazism. The two-to-one vote in the Senate expressed the attitude of that body to this particular method of helping the Allies. Had it been a straight vote on whether Britain should be helped or not, without reference to the method, the verdict in this case would also have been almost unanimous. This means that there will be a vigorous implementation of the act just passed, and that the President will exercise his powers under the bill without delay.

The long discussion on the merits of the bill was an advantage in many ways in that the vote represents the considered verdict of the national assembly and, as such, will be accepted in America as the true democratic spirit. All and has become the determined will co-operate wholeheartedly in helping to realise the aim and object of the bill, which is to destroy the greatest menace that has ever existed to human energy for the destruction of freedom. "Hitlerism must be destroyed" is the keynote of the bill, and to that end the United States now organises her resources and dedicates her labour.

## NO HALF MEASURES

One thing is certain, and that is that the clauses of the Lease and Lend Bill will be liberally interpreted and generously ap-

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SATURDAY  
FEATURE

the Prime Minister, whose mother was American and whose father was English, and in no one could it find a more appropriate and happier expression.

The mood of the two nations now is—"Let us not wrangle over our failures of yesterday lest we imperil the success of to-morrow. Let us together, address ourselves exclusively to the supreme task that lies ahead."

## FRANCE AND THE BLOCKADE

Admiral Darlan has carried his objection to the British blockade even further, for he threatens the use of the French navy. This is the first phase of co-operation with Germany. The fear of hunger naturally rouses French feeling, and Admiral Darlan directs it not against the real culprit, Germany, but against Britain. The French, as Baonou says, must obey their conquerors. They cannot deny them, and so they satisfy their sense of pride by embarrassing Britain. It gives them a feeling of power, and at the same time pleases the German master.

There are five and a half million farmers on the land in France, who with their families represent half the population of the country. Is it conceivable that such extensive agricultural resources as this implies can fail to provide the necessary food, if it is permitted to reach the French people. Obviously, Germany has

appropriated French stocks of food and left the people to face the consequences.

## GERMANS IN TRIPOLI

Hitler has sent German troops to Tripoli, which is four hundred miles across the desert from Benghazi and only 50 miles from Tunisia. They are, therefore, not a source of anxiety to us, but they are a grave threat to the French in Tunisia, of communication, and the less so should General Weygand show signs of non-co-operation. If the Germans can induce Admiral Darlan to antagonise Britain, while they keep watch on the French colonies, then the surrender of France will be complete, since no help whatever can come to France except by British victory which such measures, if they are agreed to by the Vichy Government, would impede.

## MUSSOLINI'S ECLIPSE

The eclipse of Mussolini seems to be complete. Italy's strategic points are occupied by the Germans, who have already eliminated Italy from the Balkans. What little remains of her African Empire is occupied by German troops. Tripoli is only a

short hop from Sicily, so the *mare nostrum* is an exploded myth.

Neither Abyssinia or Italy Orientale, as Mussolini called it, nor Germany, Russia and Japan. The any of his East African possessions, have received any supplies from Italy since the war started. They

have been entirely cut off from their mother country both east and west, so their collapse is merely a matter of time even if the British armies were not there to hasten the process.

"The noblest lines Simonides ever said"

"Now serve for Musso live or dead."

"Go tell to Hitler thou that passeth by."

"That here obeying his behests I lie."

Mussolini, by his ill-starred policy, has successfully reduced his nation to abject poverty and degrading servility.

"In friendship false, implacable in hate,

"resolved to rule or ruin theed writer Penglé, in Current History State"

exactly describes his character and manding that the phrase should be altered to "All aid even if it means war".

## MATSUOKA'S TRIP TO BERLIN

Matsuoka has gone to Berlin to confer with Herr von Ribbentrop.

What the subject of discussion about can only be a matter of conjecture.

Germany has made certain demands for help from Japan, but the latter seems to be without any sort of guarantee of help from Germany.

It is for the Japanese a one-sided agreement, and is in keeping with the Fuehrer's idea of German hegemony in the world but not with Japan's idea of her role in the Far East.

Germany has appointed Japan as her agent in Asia. It is Japan's

business to fit in with the Nazi

strategy, and not to pursue an independent policy. Hitler wants an

leavement in which German forces

would not be involved, but in which the Japanese would assume all the

risks and suffer all the knocks. The

amazing thing is that Hitler should

have the effrontery to demand this.

and that Japan should be willing assumed from Mussolini's speeches

even for a moment to consider it.

that Italy was immensely strong, as

The weakening of Japan in the pur-

she had command of the Mediterranean

in exactly the same position as Italy, at her disposal. That Italy, instead

It looks as though Hitler's aim is to be of being the mistress of the Medi-

destroy the power of his friends as

Itself with a considerable portion

wants no competition for

world of her African forces now

domination, not even from its allies.

In India while she herself is the very

It is obvious that Ribbentrop will

be on the defensive in this coming

discussion. He will be full of incompe-

specious promises the fulfillment of

which he will not trouble about.

Hitler gave the green light to Mu-

ssolini with regard to Greece in cir-

stances that seemed propitious,

but if Ribbentrop does that and noth-

ing more, Japan will see red and not

green.

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# Comment On Hongkong Referees

## Defects Of Recent Weeks: Good Game Anticipated To-morrow

(By "Scrambler")

QUITE A FURORE has been created by the sudden outburst at the Monthly Meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association regarding the inefficiency and incapability of certain members of the Referees' Association, but to condemn the whole section because of the backwardness of a few, is not fair on refereeing generally in this Colony.

Much has been done to improve the standard of soccer in Hongkong this last few years by the competent way in which games have been handled by the referees, but during the latter part of the present season, much could be written against the way in which these have been managed.

Referees have often gone on the field with one idea—that their decisions are final—and because of this many a wrong decision has been allowed to stand, despite protest by players and officials concerned.

There are several, whose capacity as senior officials should be reviewed; for being unable to follow the trend of an important game throughout should at least bar them from officiating. I do not charge that they are not efficient as far as the rules and regulations of the game are concerned, but that not being physically fit, and being slow in movement, more than hinders them in the efficient handling of a game.

After all, referees are human, and for them to err is quite in order, but when they do err only on the side of one team, then the tendency to err must be all accounts be rectified.

I hope the decision of the Association to go into the matter will meet with the approval of all concerned, and that the defects, which have been so prevalent of late, will be weeded out, and out of it all will come order.

### Good Game

CHIEF interest this week-end will be in the clash between the Football Association and the Chinese Federation for the Governor's Cup, and two very strong and representative sides have been chosen as under:

Association: Bunkier; Roughly, Fraser; Freshwater, Bright and Thomas; Fowler, Le Page, Howlett, Ferrier, Rietzen.

Federation: Cheung, Wing-choy; Tsang, Chung-wan, Ng, Kee-cheon; Lou, Hing-choy, Hsu, King-sing; Soong, Ling-sing; C. T. Tsao, Fung.

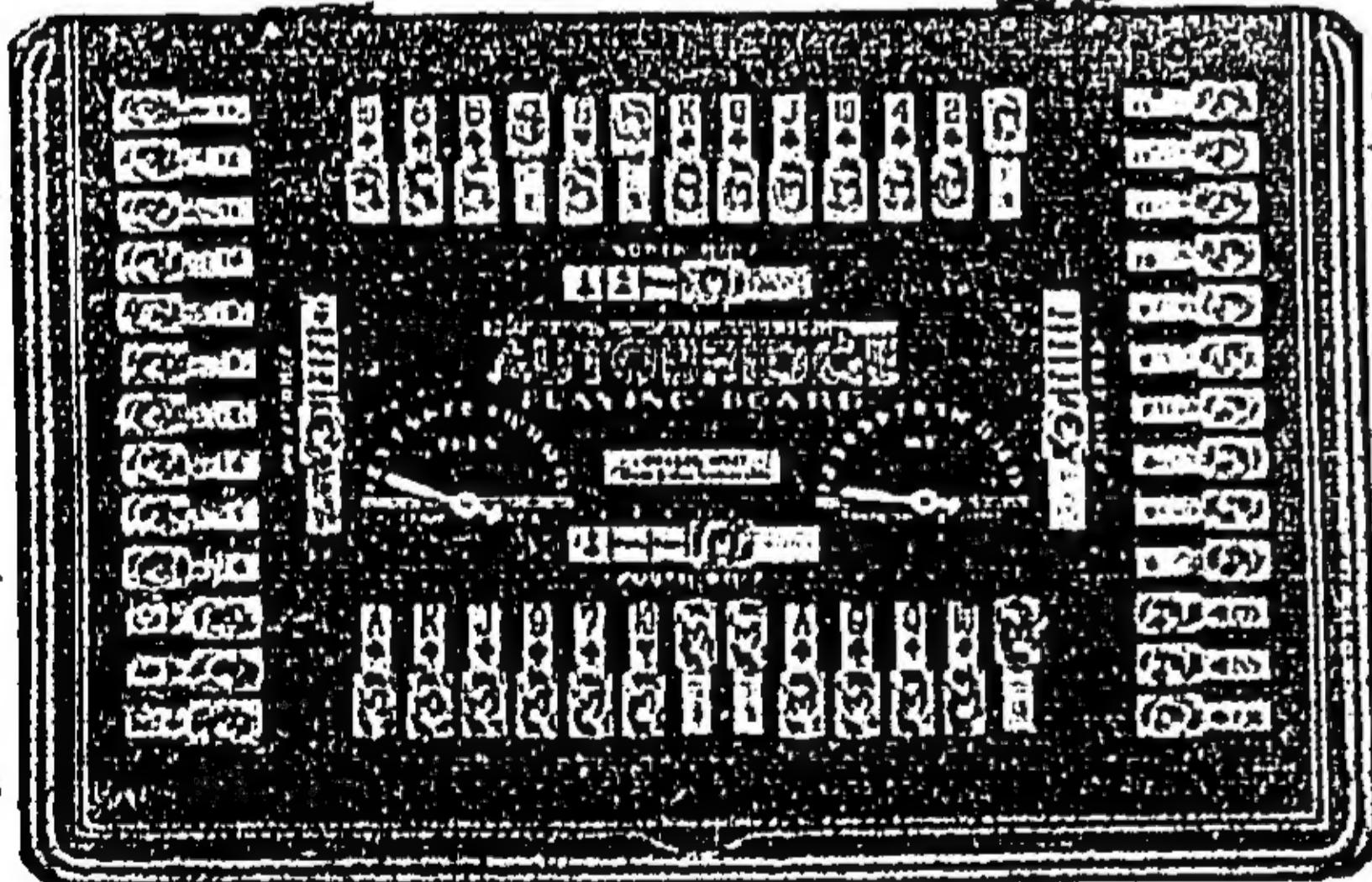
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# Champions In The Balance

## Important Matches On To-morrow's Schedule

### League's Grand Finale

(By "Ball Fan")

HONGKONG'S SOFTBALL LEAGUES will set out once again to-morrow in their attempt to foofle old man weather, and resume playing the many postponed games in an effort to finish off the season's calendar.

A six-game programme has been carded, with the V.R.C. vs. Chung Hwa Maroons second division final, and the Maple Leaf Canuckette vs. Wildcat clash, labelled as championship games.

St. Joseph's, fence-busting ballhawks and the spectacular Indians should wage a terrific struggle in the men's senior opener starting at 1.15 p.m.

Cesar Xavier's Panthers tackle the third place Whoos in a girl's loop finale, while two other senior men's games will round off the Sunday ball session with Omatic's Cyclones blitzed for a fracas with the Chinese Baseballers; the marauding Mohawks take on the rock-bottom Maple Leafs in the nightcap.

IN the opener at 9 a.m. with A. R. Kitchell, Kassa Nazarin and Bill Woo calling them,

original champions of the Second Division will be crowned when Grandpa Leung's Chung Hwa Maroons tackle the strong V.R.C. nine with the Linjap Trophy and league pennant at stake. Both teams are tied up there on top with nine wins and to-morrow's encounter should produce real dazzling ball.

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News in ragtime—The burly ballhawking Saints claim they can't win—As long as Uncle Michaelis behind the plate, stays in—And so to oust him they begin—A real old time upslung—which to gashouse John is quite surprising.

It is very happy indeed—To hear that prexy Ildefonso is about to proceed—with words on the advantages of the floodlight creed—And so will interest all—in real big night time ball.

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### Weekly Wind-up

Last Sunday's postponement has caused yet another week's delay in softball's yearly wind-up. The depressing weather certainly has been giving ball fans a raw deal these past two months. The long awaited Canadian Chinese vs. English Forum classic is still at its sizeable point. The game will probably be played on March 23. A big feed is in the bag for the winners.

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**Softball Schedule.**

### MEN

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Referees—A. R. Kitchell, Kassa Nazarin and Bill Woo.

### GIRLS' LOOP

10.15 a.m. Whoos v. Panthers.  
Referee—J. Delgado, J. Fonseca and G. G. Lee.

11.45 a.m. Canadian Chinese v. Wildcats.  
Referee—Ski Powlowski, C. Marques and J. Fonseca.

### MEN'S LOOP

First Division  
1.15 p.m. St. Joseph's v. Indians.  
Referee—Nip Lum, A. V. Gosano and Bill Woo.

2.30 p.m. Cyclones v. C.D.C.

Referee—Ski Powlowski, Al Leonard and Kassa Nazarin.

3.45 p.m. H.R.B.C. Mohawks v. Canadian Chinese.

Referee—Al Leonard, Baker and Stan Leonard.

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THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Bodies admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms will be \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies, both including the unobtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21020).

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

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By Order,  
G. B. BROWN,  
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

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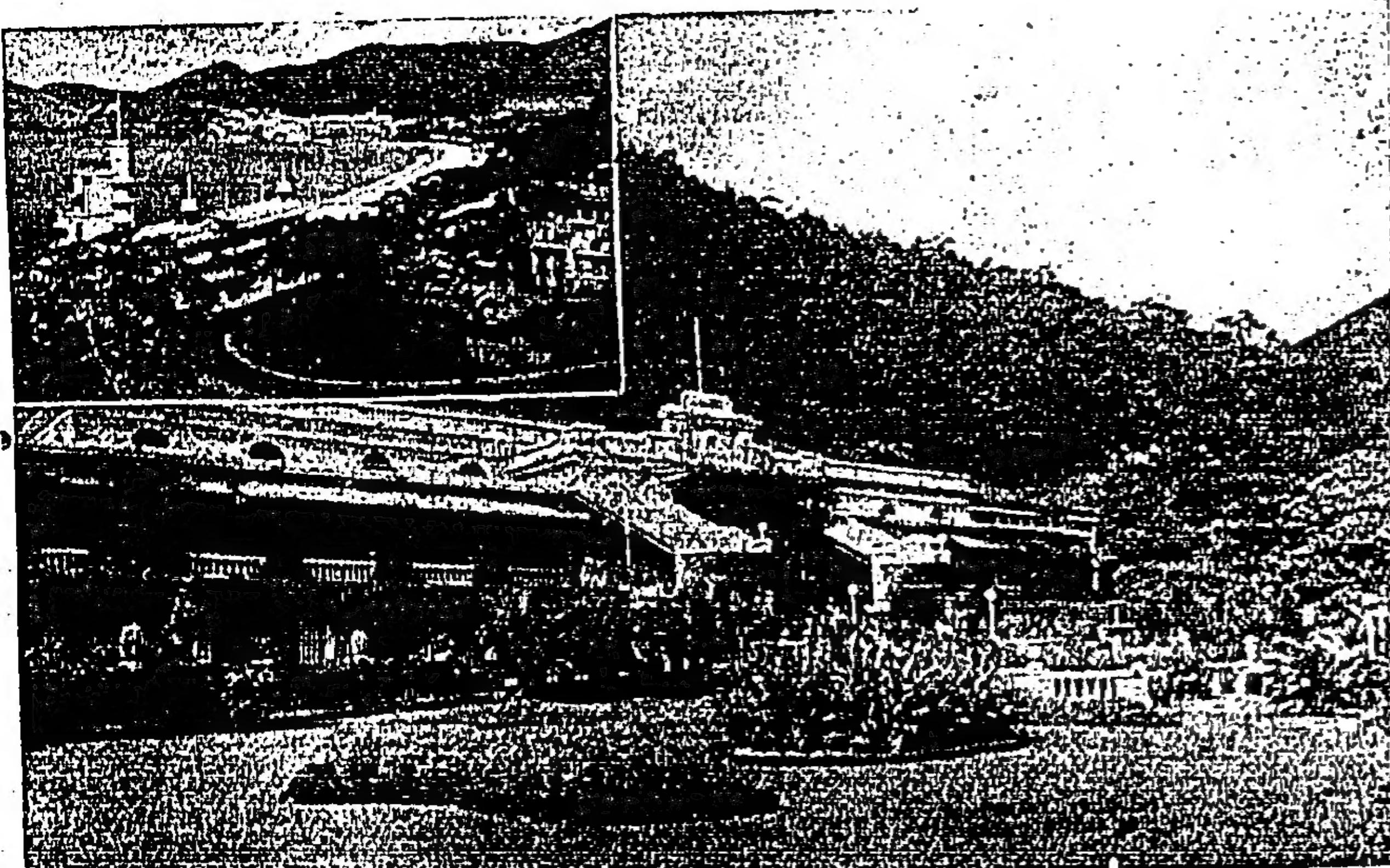
Many ponies were taken out for a short run yesterday, and following were the times they returned:

	1st Cr.	2nd Cr.	Last
Australian Diamond	20.4	1.03.2	28
Bea Jor	27.4		
National Blessing	32	1.01.2	29.2
National Endurance	32	1.01.2	29.2
Contact	29.4	0.9	27.1
Realty Six	29.2	0.7	28.1
Eve of Deception	30.2	1.00.3	30.1
Income Tax	29.1	1.00.3	29.1
Night Express	29.2	1.01.3	29.2
Doveywood	29.2	0.9	28.5
Prairie View	30	1.02.2	29.2
Rowan	29.2	1.01.2	29.2
Brutus	29.2	1.01.2	29.2
The Wind	24	1.02.4	28.3
Endeavour	28.3	0.7	28.3
Casino	28.1	0.7	28.1
Linda	29.1	1.03	29
Hoppy Hopper	31.3	1.03	31.3
Shuttlecock	30.4	0.94	29
Dazzling Beauty	29.2	1.02.2	29.2
Odell	29.1	1.02.2	29.2
Shuttlecock	29.3	1.02.2	29.4
Gold Rod	29.1	1.02.2	29.2
Cockleberry	27.4	55.3	27.4
Iron Beauty	27.4	55.3	27.4
River Hawk	27.4	55.3	27.4
Baffin Bay	32.1	1.01	28.4
Charlester	34.4	1.04.3	29.4
Corlester	32.1	1.00.3	29.1
Arnebster	28	1.01	28
Angels of Glory	28	1.01	28
Bendigo	32.3	1.01.2	29.1
Pumpernickel	27	1.01	27
Seal River	27.1	1.01	29.1
Venus	27	1.01	27
Derby Day	27	1.01	27
Jus Gentium	33	1.03	30
Harmony Star	30	0.92	29.2
Magical Star	30	0.92	29.2
Archib	31.3	1.04	29
Sydney Diamond	29.2	1.02	29.3
Mountain View	30.4	0.93	29
Million View	30.2	0.93	29
Coloona	29.3	1.00	28.4
A Roaring Time	29.3	1.00	28.4
Bendigo	31.2	1.01	29.2
Reindeer	29.1	1.01	29.1
Viper	27.1	0.97	27.4
A Rosy Time	27.1	0.97	27.4
Quick Despatch	29.1	0.97	27.4
Cannibella	29.3	1.00	29.3
Opposite Pids	29.3	1.00	29.3
Sun Spot	29.3	1.00	29.3
Lovely View	30.4	1.00	29.2
Starlight View	30.4	1.01	29.1
Amusement Tax	34.3	1.04.3	30.1
Wimble	29.2	1.02	29.2
Viceroy	33.3	1.02	29.2
The Koala Bear	31.4	0.93	29
Crab	31.4	0.93	29
Toucawood	29.4	0.93	29.3
Triumphant Day	27.3	27.3	
Ophir	29	29	
Sparrow	31	30	
Monica Poms	30	30	
War Tax	31	31	
Battle	27.2	27.2	
Daylight	27.2	27.2	
Daylight	29	57.4	28.2
Royal Sovereign	29	54.2	28.2
Fleetwing	31	50	28

## Cricket Match Cancelled

The junior cricket match between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Craggengrove Cricket Club arranged for to-day has been cancelled.

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## Comment On Referees

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and Forrow, they may constitute a threat to the Chinese.

### Guy Abenteer

SAINT Joseph's College will in all probability be starting without the services of their key-man, Guy, whose wrist is still in a plaster of Paris. Without him, their chances against the Navy will not be so bright, for Leonard, though a sound man in defence, is not the man for the centre-half berth.

However, they will have the consolation of knowing that their defence is very sound, with Hussain, Bowen and Lau Wing-kwong; the last named player is fast developing into a great defender.

In attack, the inclusion of Flan-

der and MacDonald will add sting to same, and Roughley and Co.

will have to look to it to stop them from scoring.

Navy are best served by Roughley and O'Regan at back, and although Hazard is a great spoiler in the intermediate line, he is not much of a help to his front men, since he concentrates, most of his time, as a third

man.

But the wingers are weak, and need improvement.

A good game should be seen with the odds slightly in favour of the civilian team.

### Scots Should Win

ROYAL Scots should be able to garner both points at the expense of Kowloon, for they have an exceedingly strong defence, where Bankier, Naysmith and Fraser, constitute a strong barrier. In attack, Hossack, Saw and Munroe are good, and, if given the opportunity, will be able to obtain goals. The intermediate trio is sound, and between them, they should be able to hold off the weak Kowloon attacks.

With the exception of Lamb and Ulrich at back, the Mainland defence is not as sound as it used to be at the commencement of the season, and their attacks, now that two of their trusted men have been transferred to their units, will lose part of the sting. However, if Pereira can hold the attacking five together, they may be able to share the spoils, but on the form shown recently by them, I think it very doubtful.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Business this week has been somewhat better than its immediate predecessor. Once again the announcement of the result of a good year's working coupled with an increase in distribution to shareholders has found the market unresponsive. The Hongkong Dock Company is paying an increase of 10% in its dividend and the shares promptly fell away from \$17.50 to \$16.55 business done.

Dairy Farms have declared a final dividend of \$1 and have cut the bonus of 25 cents paid the previous year. All things considered the figures announced by the Directors "subject to audit" must be considered satisfactory.

There has been an off-take to outports of Hongkong Banks \$1,335/\$1,340 and Unlons from \$422/\$425.

Closing tone quiet and moderately steady.

Business done during the week

H.K. Banks \$1,345, \$1,340.

Union Ins. \$422, \$425.

Providents \$575.

Hotels \$3,200.

Lands \$31,240.

Humphreys \$6,70.

Yaumati Ferries \$23,45.

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Lights "O" \$6,20.

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Electrics "O" \$41.

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Docks "O" \$16,40.

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Lands 4% Debentures \$97,50.

Humphreys \$6,70.

Lights "O" \$6,20.

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Electrics "O" \$41.

Electrics "N" \$40,00.

Telephones "O" \$24.

Watsons \$10,70.

Sellers \$1,350.

Hotels \$3,25.

Trams \$10,75.

Telephones \$24,50.

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Docks "O" \$10,85.

Electrics "O" \$41/41,20.

Ropes \$8,10.

### MONSTER RAFFLE DRAW

The date of the drawing of the Monster Raffle has been put forward to Thursday, April 10, commencing at 2 p.m. at the Peninsula Hotel.

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L. Karpovich beat G. S. Coxhead;

Junior—To Yee-lau beat C. Gardner;

A. Birukoff beat A. Kurnikoff; Un-

Kwai-ling beat A. Morton; J. Tausz beat

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The positions of the various players</

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## MATSUOKA'S MISSION

WHY is Mr Matsuoka going to Berlin and Rome? He stated that he has no secret treaty to undertake and there is no need to perfect the tripartite pact between the Axis Powers because it is functioning perfectly already. He hopes to call in on Stalin after seeing the senior partners of the "new order" and it is well known that Tokyo is practically begging for a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union.

Mr Matsuoka is bound by his office and the peculiar demands of Axis diplomacy in replying to press queries as to his true intentions but probably he could have revealed little more even if he had wished to. It seems fairly well-established now that Japan fell down on the part assigned to her in the Far East, though whether it was due to the obstinacy of the Dutch East Indies, the bold declarations of Britain and America backed up by Australians in Malaya, or to the revelation of documents following the death of Baron Osumi can only be speculation at present.

Perhaps Hitler and Matsuoka feel that personal contact is necessary to assure that there shall be no second failure and that the new orders in Europe and Asia are liable to clash if each side is not thoroughly grounded in the requirements of the other. The Japanese Foreign Minister must have realised that Hitler's promises are worthless and he wants to convince himself of the sincerity and scope of the German leader's plans before pressing forward in his wake.

There are many things which must be settled between the East and the West. Tokyo pays honour to the Netherlands Government in London in order to conduct talks with the Netherlands East Indies authorities. She has not withdrawn recognition from the envoys of Hitler's victims. Germany still recognises Chungking, Italy is for the moment quite in the shade and she can be counted on to play a passive role in the war council of the totalitarian Powers for the duration. Lynching blackly near is the Soviet Union, huge, disorganized, under-fed, under-armed—an unknown quantity which nobody wants to stir up for fear that it might explode. If Matsuoka is to succeed at Moscow, he must take with him more than a promise from Hitler that he will not ride roughshod over all the Balkans. How can the Japanese Foreign Minister obtain such assurances? Not at all unless he can show more nuisance potential than is the case at present.

Japan has already allowed the master policy dictated from Berlin to show up her way against China and in return she has gained a strong foothold in Indo-China. Against this is the strongest allied democratic front in the Far East that has ever been wrought by the ill-timed policies of one aggressor.

Mr Matsuoka will find little comfort in the Wilhelmstrasse. But his trip will not have been wasted if he can learn the way out of the morass into which he has ventured. It is a pity that he cannot make a journey to London, via Africa and learn what we all know here: the Axis will not win this war; nor, it follows logically, any war.

Funds for building six battle-cruisers of a new type are provided for in the Bill.

TAI WO  
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Very Timely

The Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall formally opened the Tai Wo Hospital yesterday. He was welcome by the Chairman, Mr Wal Sui-pak, and the Superintendent of the Hospital, Dr T. C. Yip.

The Chairman gave a brief address in Chinese, thanking Sir Robert for consenting to the ceremony and welcoming the many guests. Sir Robert then said:

"This sanatorium meets a distinct want in these days, when the population has enormously increased, with a corresponding increase in sickness. It is very timely in that, in addition to providing a house for the sick, it will also serve as a hospital in times of emergency."

"The hospital is ideally situated, for while it is near to the town, it is away from the noise which a town usually produces. Its situation reminds me of two lines from a Chinese poem:

"I build my house in man's abode,  
Yet I'm free from the dins of carriages and horses."

Sir Robert also commented upon the policy of the hospital of catering for both rich and poor, being satisfied with a bare income sufficient to cover expenditure. He commented, too, on the patriotic spirit of the founders, in particular Mr Wal Sui-pak, Chairman of the Committee.

The Superintendent then handed the keys of the hospital to Sir Robert, who formally declared the institution open. The guests were invited to inspect the buildings, after which a group photograph was taken, and tea was served under the thatched roofing erected over the forecourt of the hospital to protect guests from the rain.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr Li Tse-fong, Prof. Li Tshian, Dr. J. H. Montgomery, Dr Arthur Woo, Mr T. L. Soong, Mr A. J. MacFayden, Prof. D. Faid, Mr A. Hughes, Dr F. R. Ashton, Dr Li Shiu-kei, Miss M. Ward, and many others.

## Premises Described

The hospital which consists of two separate blocks of buildings, was formerly the residence of the late Hon. Mr Lau Chu-pak.

The two buildings, which are three storeys high, are connected by covered passageways, the first floor of "A" block running to the ground floor of "B" block, and so on. The Manager's Office, the general office, the Matron's office and the dispensary are situated on the ground floor of block "A". First and second class patients have a ward each and the three general wards have accommodation for 15 patients. There are altogether 66 beds. The maternity ward, which is on the top floor of the buildings, claims ten. The operating theatre, which is also operational, is on the first floor of block "A".

Seventeen qualified nurses will be on duty night and day, in charge of Mrs M. K. Kwan the acting Matron.

The hospital is owned by the Tai Woo Yuen Co., Ltd, the Chairman of the Board of Directors being Mr Wal Sui-pak. Dr Yip is also a director of the Company.

Wharf Company  
Make Slightly  
Smaller Profit

The Directors of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd, submit their report and statement of accounts for the year ending December 31, 1940, as follows:

The profit on working was \$1,549,241.19 as compared with \$1,593,038.07 in 1939. The balance for the year, after deducting depreciation, Directors' and auditors' fees, and other charges in \$1,036,534.95, which, together with \$342,188.56 brought forward from last year, makes a total of \$1,400,723.51 available for appropriation which the Directors recommend be allocated as follows:

Dividend of \$7 per share \$ 630,000.00  
Transfer to General Reserve Account ..... 400,000.00  
Transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account .. 15,315.50  
Curry forward ..... 415,377.03

\$1,400,723.51

Directors.—Mr T. B. Wilson resigned on leaving the Colony and Mr W. F. Arndt was invited to join the Board; subsequently Mr Arndt retired and Mr Wilson rejoined the Board on his return to the Colony. Mr Wilson's appointment requires confirmation.

Mrs C. C. Black, J. H. Jessen and H. V. Wilkinson resigned on leaving the Colony and Messrs A. H. Veltman and L. J. Davies were invited to join the Board. These appointments also require confirmation.

Hon. Mr M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr S. H. Dodwell, Mr D. Drummond and Mr A. H. Compton retire in rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Messrs Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, Chartered Accountants, and Messrs Linthead & Davis, Chartered Accountants, have audited the accounts now presented and offer themselves for re-election.

Mr Matsuoka will find little comfort in the Wilhelmstrasse. But his trip will not have been wasted if he can learn the way out of the morass into which he has ventured. It is a pity that he cannot make a journey to London, via Africa and learn what we all know here: the Axis will not win this war; nor, it follows logically, any war.

Funds for building six battle-cruisers of a new type are provided for in the Bill.

## Two-Ocean Navy Bill

WASHINGTON, Mar. 14 (UPI).—The House of Representatives has passed and the Senate has endorsed the Bill for \$34,000,000,000 to help finance the United States' two-ocean navy.

Funds for building six battle-cruisers of a new type are provided for in the Bill.

Volunteer Orders For  
The Coming WeekY. W. C. A.  
CAMPAIGNChief Justice Makes  
Radio Appeal

At the first Finance Campaign meeting of the Y.W.C.A., yesterday, a total of \$14,564.50 was reported by the 24 teams. On March 24 there will be another meeting and the campaign closes on April 2.

The winning teams are as follows:

1. Since the Government's policy for reforming the N.S.A. has already been decided upon, it would involve abolition or amalgamation of various existing departments of the Association.

2. The Government hitherto has given the impression that it is bearing too much influence of the Association but such an impression should be dispelled by strengthening the "political power" of the Cabinet and making the Association an effective co-operative organ of the Government in carrying out policies in accordance with the original objective of the body.

3. The "political power" of the Cabinet should be reinforced promptly in order to secure smooth execution of various wartime policies while emphasis should be put on the effective application of existing agencies rather than structural reforms in strengthening the power of the Cabinet.

## Chief Justice's Broadcast

The Chief Justice, Sir Alfred MacGregor, broadcast an appeal last night for support for the campaign. He said:

To-day the campaign is at its height. The Association believes profoundly that God helps those who help themselves, and they have not been content merely to solicit from others—though in this direction, too, much has been done—but a real effort within the Association itself has been made, and is still energetically being made, to raise funds.

No fewer than 300 of the women who devote so much of their time and energy to help the Y.W.C.A. have been concentrating on ways and means of getting the money we need, and the young women members have also not denied themselves many little extra comforts to bring help to their less fortunate sisters, but, in combination with others, have organised corporate means of getting money.

Thus, the business girls organised a dance which proved not only a most enjoyable function but was a great financial success, the receipts totalling \$1,000. Students will shortly put on a concert at which much first rate talent will appear.

The industrial girls, in spite of what at first sight look like insuperable difficulties, are also arranging a concert. When you remember that these girls have an average income of \$0 or \$7 a month and that they cannot hope to get more for a ticket than 10 or 20 cents you will realise not only how keen they are in their desire for money but how great is their faith in the purposes for which the Y.W.C.A. stands.

The campaign has been fortunate in having us Lt. Col. Churchill, Mrs N. L. Smith, whose eloquent appeal for help was broadcast a few days ago. The needs of the Y.W.C.A. have kept us constantly and as graphically as possible before the public eye too by pictures and articles in the press, and several hundreds of personal appeals have been made through the post. The Campaign is by no means at an end—it won't be at an end until we have all the money we require and have started to build up reserves, but I am happy to say that up to date the results are very gratifying.

Most of our old supporters have helped us again, some of them with increased subscriptions, and we have many new friends and helpers. Total receipts up to an hour ago amounted to \$14,564.50, which is most satisfactory, especially in such hard times as these.

To all who have so generously come to our aid we extend our very grateful thanks. You have the satisfaction of knowing that your money will bring lasting benefits to the growing womanhood of Hongkong and China. To those of you who have not yet sent a subscription to our Treasurer I would confidently appeal. Our cause is a great and a worthy one; your money will be wisely expended; and every penny you give is returned a hundredfold in service, educational and constructive.

Please send as much as you can as early as possible to the Treasurer at the Y.W.C.A. Headquarters.

In conclusion, I want to convey our most sincere thanks for many kindesses to the Press, both English and Chinese, without whose unstinted help our needs could not have reached the wide publicity we have attained. In particular, I want to thank the Advertising and Publicity Bureau, who have never refused us valuable advice and assistance.

Dobbie Of Malta  
Decorated

## King's Words Of Praise

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—Major-General W. G. S. Dobbie, Acting Governor and C-in-C Malta, who has received many tributes in connection with the courageous defence of that Island, has been promoted a Knight Commander of the Bath.

A War Office telegram to General Dobbie states that the King has approved of his promotion "in recognition of the steadfast and gallant bearing of the garrison and civil population of Malta under your inspiring leadership in the face of all danger and discomfort resulting from constant enemy air attacks."

\*Major-General Dobbie was G.O.C. Malta Command before his appointment to Malta.

Obstacles In  
Imperial Way

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TOKYO, Mar. 14 (Domei).—The Home Minister, Baron Kichiro Hiranuma, to-day held an important interview with the Premier, Prince Fumimaro Konoye, regarding the projected reorganisation of the National Service Association and the proposed strengthening of the Cabinet's "political power."

Baron Hiranuma's views on the current political situation are understood to be along the following lines:

1. Since the Government's policy

for reforming the N.S.A. has already been decided upon, it would involve abolition or amalgamation of various existing departments of the Association.

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Exploitation  
Of Norway

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—Nazi plans to treat Norway as a German colony are confirmed by reports received from Oslo, says the Norwegian telegraph agency.

Norwegian water-power is to be exploited by a new organisation called the "Norwegian Electric Development Corporation," set up by Herr Terboven, the Nazi Commissioner.

A new town is to be established near the great Aura Waterfall and 6,000 to 7,000 people are to be compulsorily removed there from Christiansund.

The Norwegians are distrustful, fearing that the Germans will exploit the water-power for their war industries, and some few of the Quisling party suspect that this control, coupled with the hold over Norway's remaining shipping, will ruinously affect the country's economy.

Compulsory  
Service

## Assignments Posted

Messrs L. A. Calcraft and J. E. Meir have been enrolled in the Comptant Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Mr S. Harber has been enrolled in the Key-Posts Group, and Mr S. Mason in the General Group for Essential Service, in the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

Mr F. G. Bird has been re-assigned from the Comptant Group to the General Group for Essential Services in the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

## Permitted To Quit

Messrs S. H. Higgs and F. R. Lamb have been permitted to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve, with effect from March 8.

## Naval Volunteer

Sub-Lieut A. E. Bates has been allowed to relinquish his commission in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force as from March 11.

## Appointments&lt;/div

Second Section

# Hongkong Telegraph.

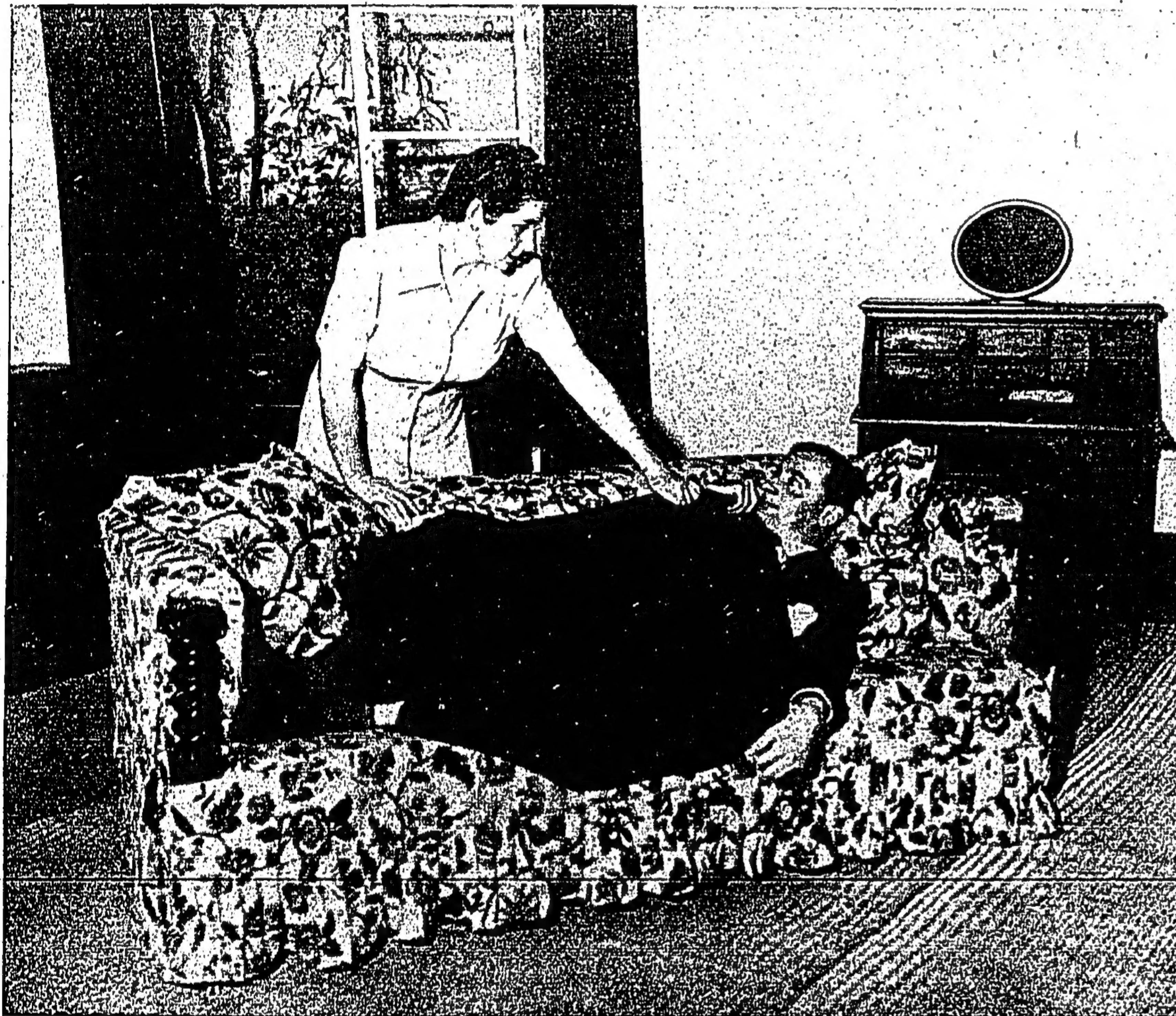
Magazine Features

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1941.

A. A. Milne's Comedy

## SARAH SIMPLE

Scenes From The A.D.C. Production



Marianne (Day Sage) discovers William (Claude Burgess) asleep.  
"Have you been there all the time?"

Sarah (Sheila Mackinlay) arrives unexpectedly to find William bidding Marianne a fond farewell.

Sarah Bondish wrote a farewell note when she left her husband, but her handwriting was difficult to read, and because of this William Bondish named the wrong man as co-respondent. That starts off the complications in this intriguing comedy, which the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club will present at the China Fleet Club Theatre next week, commencing Wednesday. Proceeds are in aid of the British War Organisation Fund and the Bomber Fund.

"You'd get a sack on wrong!"  
Lower left:—Sarah gives Altruda (Joan Critchett) a lesson in the proper putting on of a hat. Lower centre:—Marianne meets Amyas (Tim Fortescue) and Altruda.

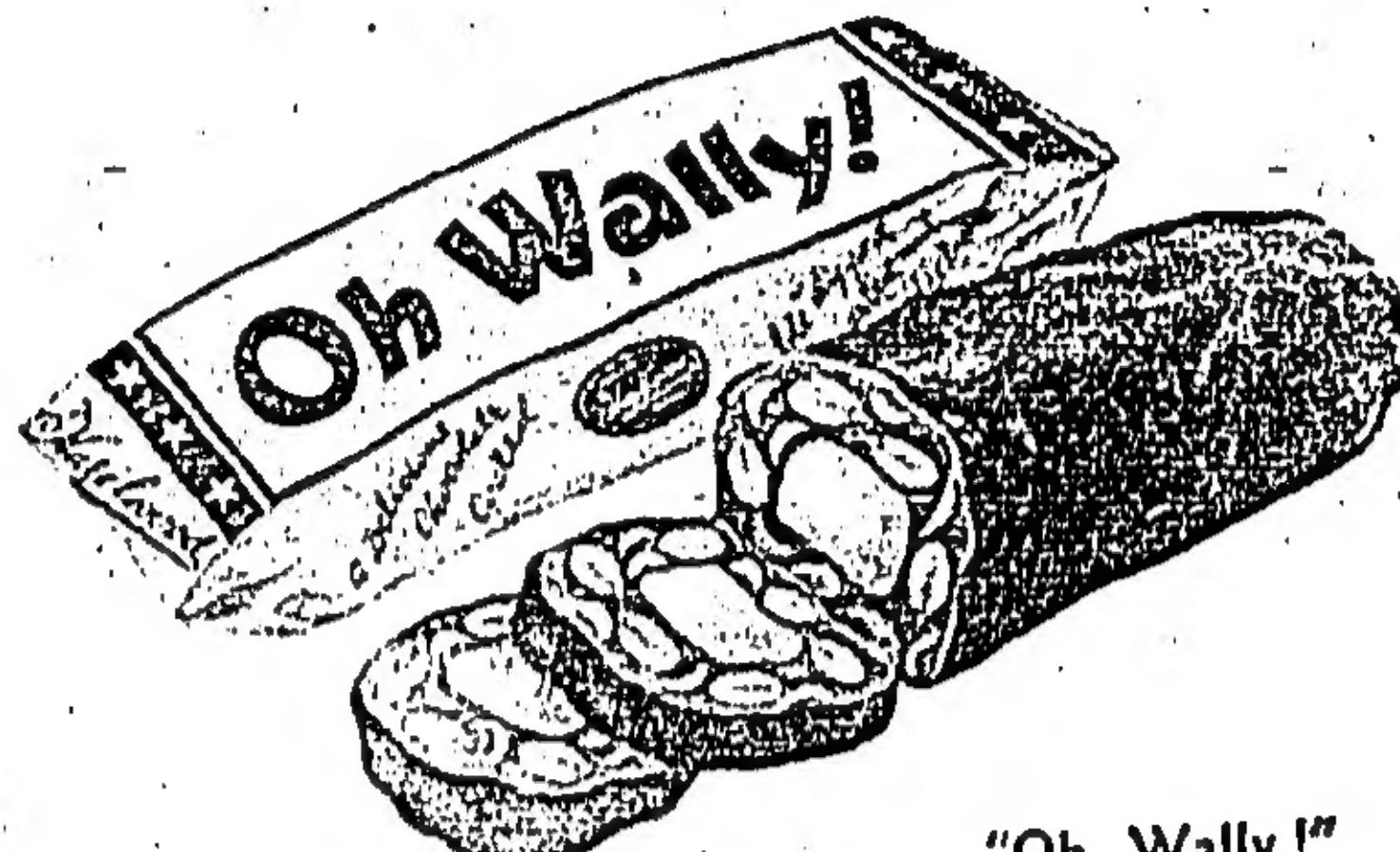
"Introducing the 'deadless corpse' on Page 1." Charles (William Kirby) interrupts William's enjoyment of a thriller.



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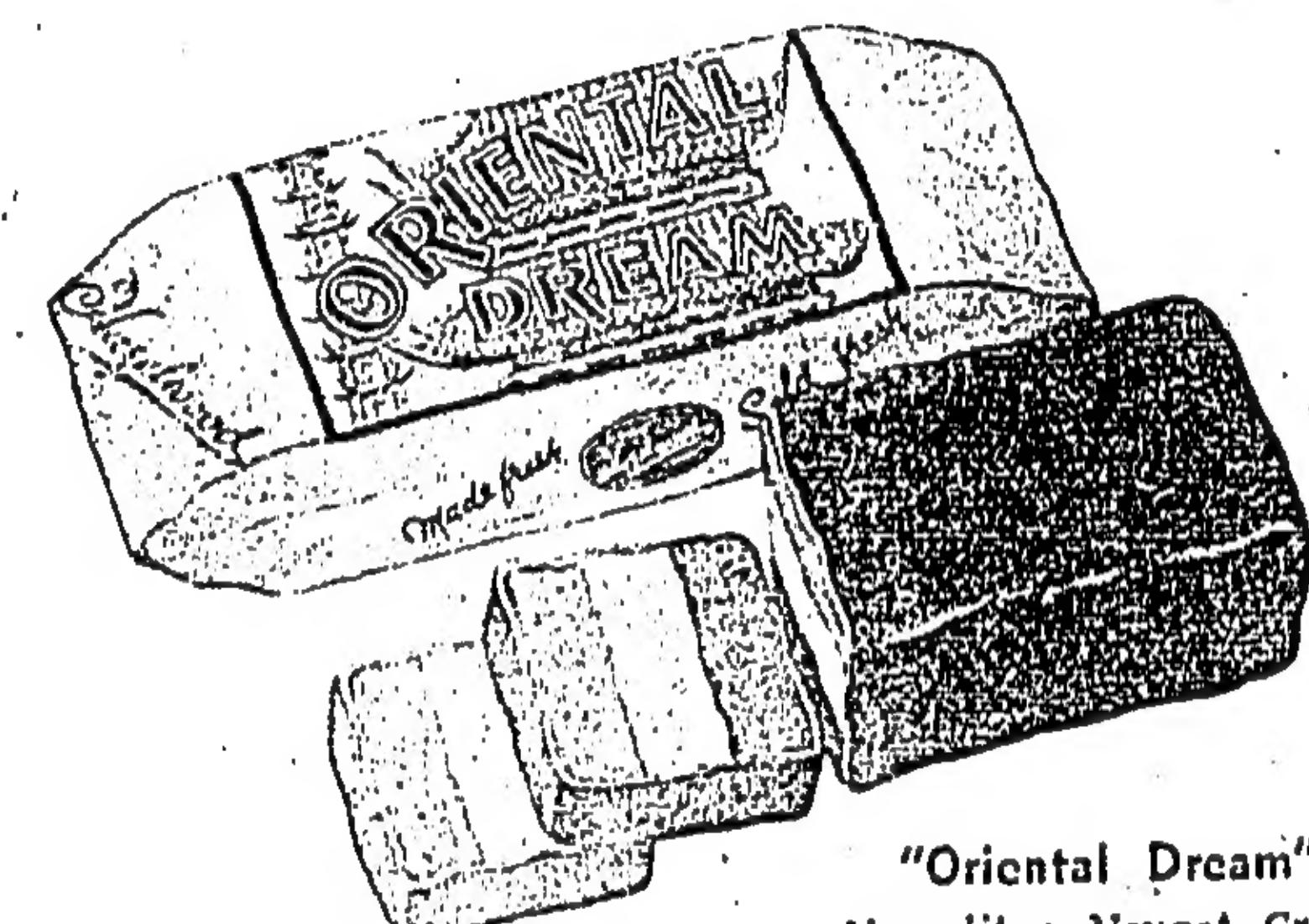
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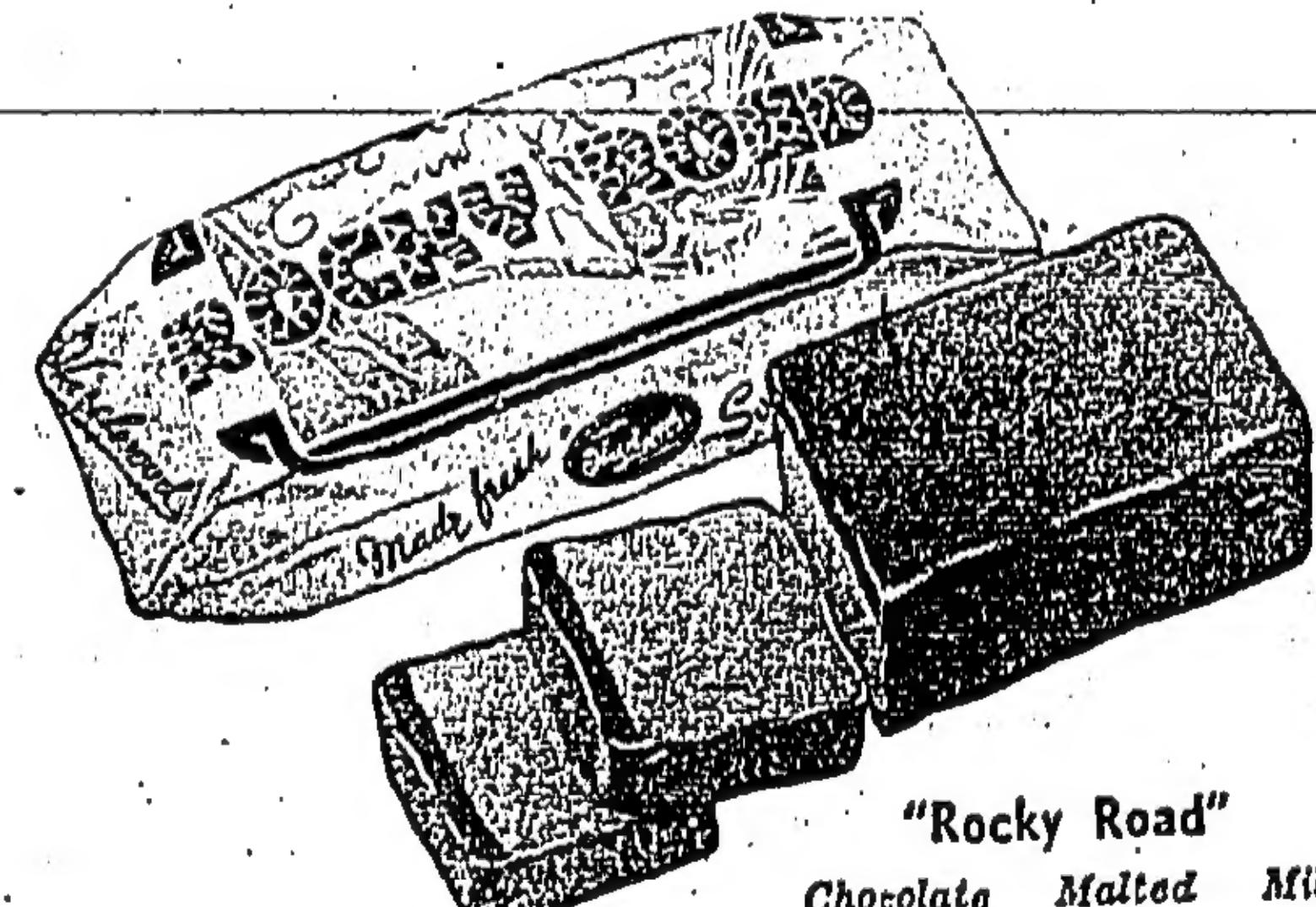
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### Evacuees To Have Own Eisteddfod

LONDON, school children evacuated to South Wales are to have their own Eisteddfod.

The competitive spirit of the festival of song and music which is inseparable from Wales has so captured the London children that they are becoming keen students of poetry, drama, and country dances.

Children in over 60 L.C.C. schools evacuated to South Wales are taking part in the Eisteddfod, which has

### Saboteurs Fire Italian Barracks

Italian barracks at Postumia, on the Italian-Yugoslav frontier, were set on fire by saboteurs recently.

The barracks were burned out.

Preliminary examination showed that sabotage was the cause. Four civilians were arrested and the entire Italian garrison is under strict observation.

The police said the girl was married at Hove Register Office on December 18 to a 22-year-old airman. She said she spent the money on

### "Boy Mad" Said Her Report

THE school report of a 10-year-old girl who appeared before the Juvenile Court at Hove, Sussex, recently, described her as "boy mad."

The girl was bound over for twelve months for stealing £8 in money and a number of stock bonds from a house in which she had been employed as a domestic servant.

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She said she spent the money on

### Dornier's Son Must Quit U.S.

Claudius Dornier, son of the German aircraft manufacturer, has been refused a further extension of his visitor's permit in the United States by the Department of Justice announced recently.

He has been in the United States since July, 1939.

her wedding ring and marriage licence.

### Witnessed Wrights' First Flight

One of the last members of the little group of enthusiasts who watched the Wright brothers make their historic first flight at Kitty Hawk in 1903 died in North Carolina recently.

He was Adam D. Etheridge, 60.

Etheridge and four other members of a nearby coast guard station helped the Wrights drag their box-like plane up and down the beach for tests which led to man's first airplane flight.

Before he died he had seen

### M. P. Calls For State Control

Sir Richard Acland, Liberal M.P. for Barnstaple, said in Manchester recently: "To win the war the nation must now take over banks, railways, steel, coal, and engineering industries."

"Give owners what will keep them

and the right for compensation at the end of the war with all the people who have lost limbs or relatives."

aviation develop into one of the world's most vital industries."

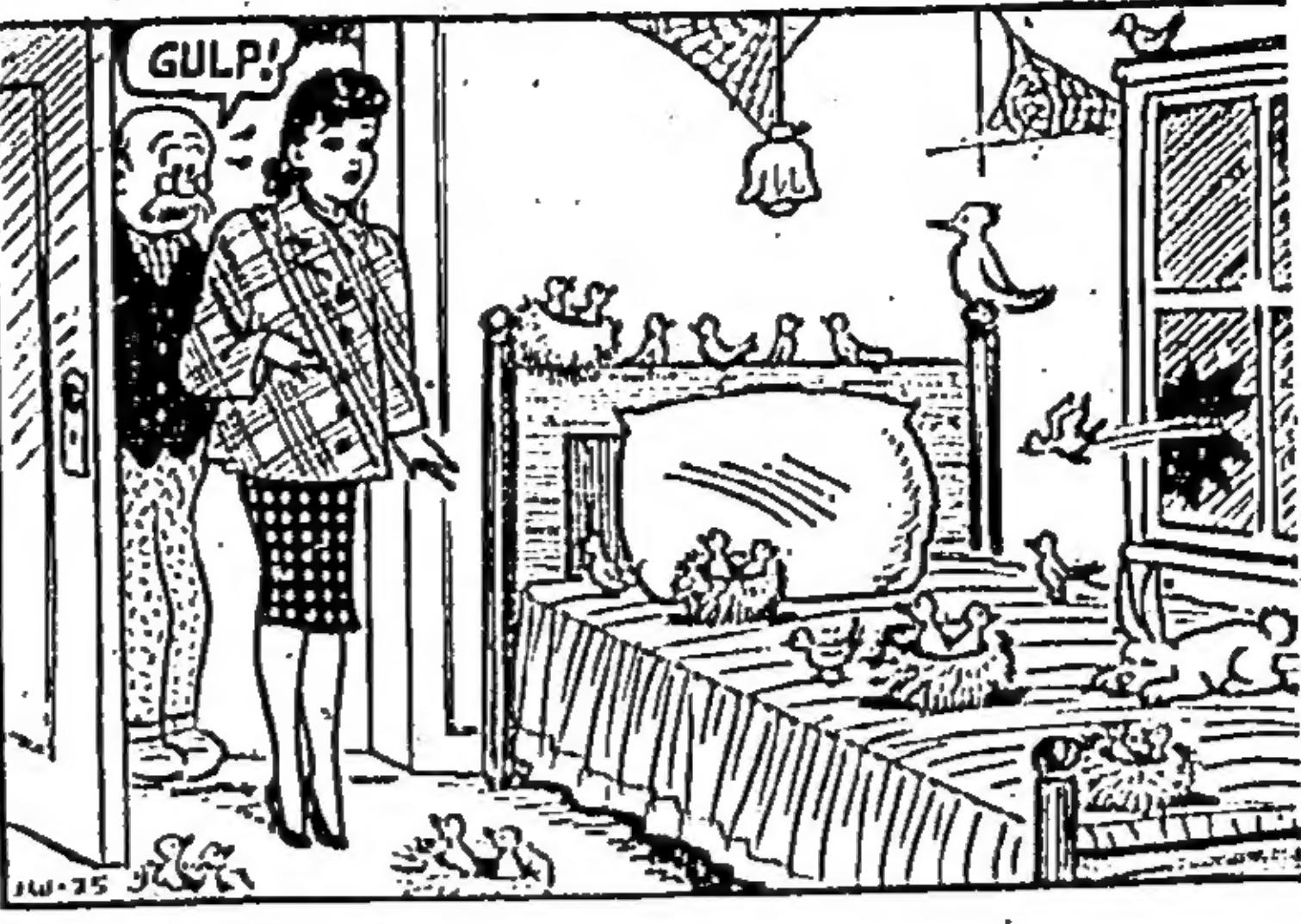
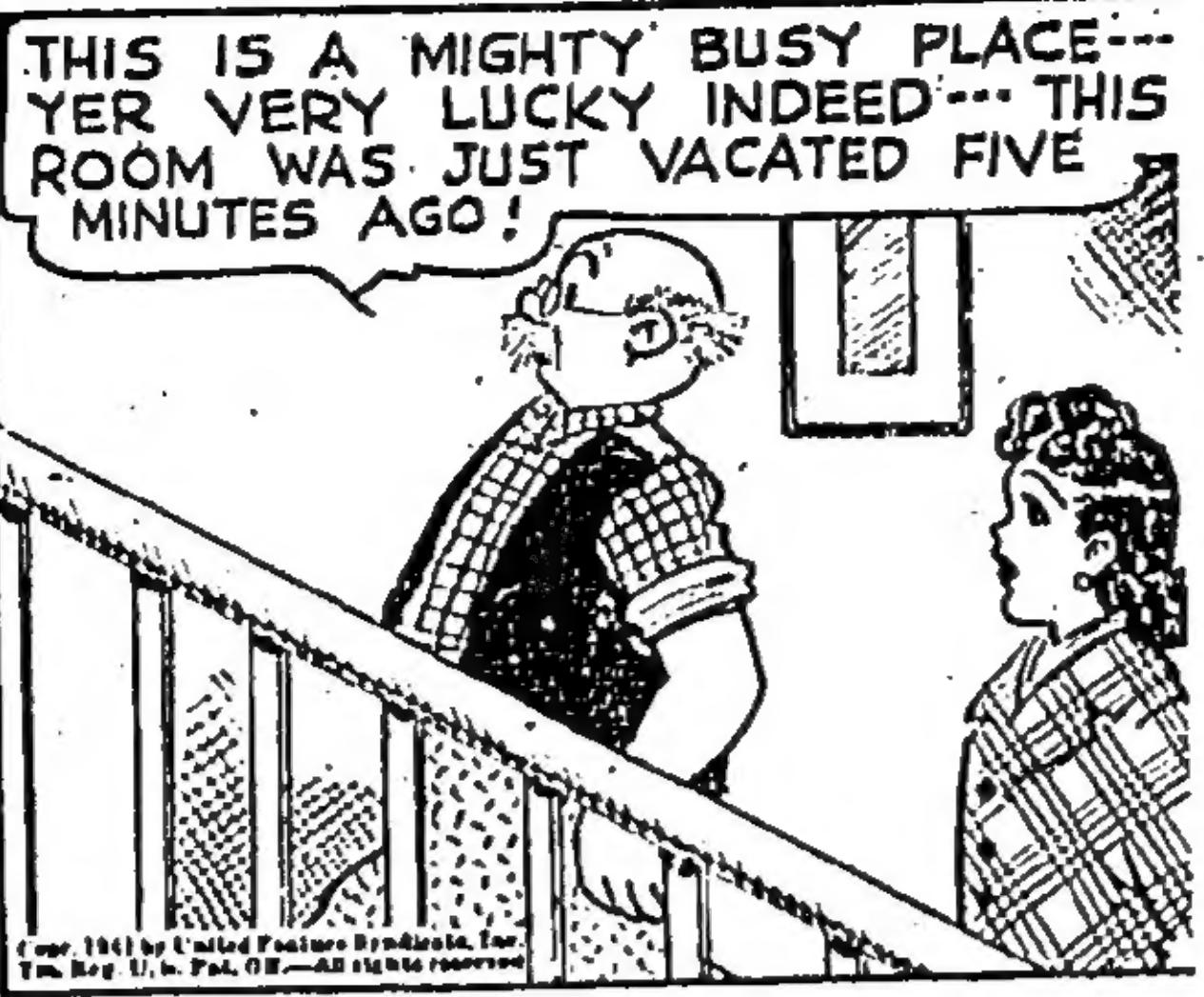
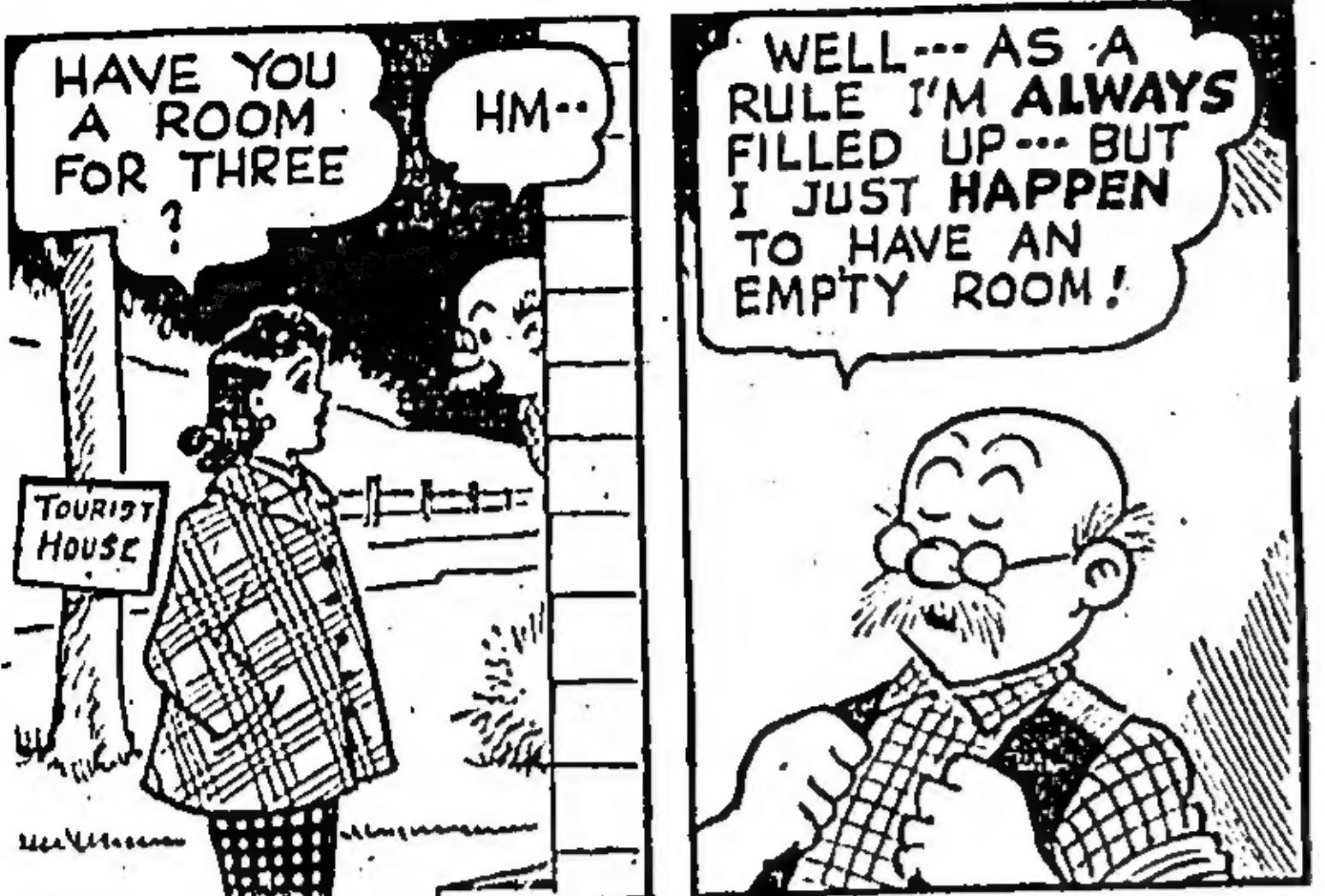
### Paris Palace For Goering

It is rumoured that Goering is going to take up his residence in Paris in the Luxembourg Palace, according to a correspondent of the Free French Agency writing from the French frontier.

Interior alterations are being carried out at the Palace, where the President used to meet and where the President of the Senate had his residence.

The palace was a former Royal residence.

## NANCY



## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Sure, we can work up to be dollar-a-year men, but while we're learning the business, they only rate us as 50c-a-year men!"

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

4-Cattle food

6-Organ

8-Effective strokes

10-Chestnut husk

12-Litter wretch

14-Hold back

16-Religious

18-Vert

20-Virtuously

22-Relatively

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## DOES ITALY'S KING SUPPORT MUSSOLINI?

FOR years the huge bulk of slender indeed. She has to feed, the Italian Dictator has supply and reinforce what remains dwarfed the small, frail figure of of Graziani's army in Libya. How the King of Italy. His thundering, braggart voice has drowned will she do it when the British fleet has so successfully mastered the Mediterranean?

These are questions, the neutrals say, which are asked in Italy itself.

In spite of Mussolini's repeated boasts to the contrary, even before the war there were large numbers of Italians who were not Fascists.

Important people in the forces as well as the common folk in the towns

and villages did not subscribe to the

world heard of Benito Mussolini, the "ill-powerful" Blackshirts.

The King has been almost forgotten by the outside world, but he is not forgotten in Italy. Many powerful people there remember there was a House of Savoy long before the

blacksmith's son, and they believe

there will be a day—not far distant

—when the House of Savoy will again be at the head of a dictator,

less Italy.

Recently word has been coming through neutral channels that the King and the Dictator do not see eye to eye about the war. Disastrous defeats to the Italian navy and army add strength to King Victor's position.

A neutral writer a few weeks ago said that "the King's advice has until recently been disregarded, and Mussolini is Chief of Italian forces and a man

been refused to become a Blackshirt.

In 1935, when de Bono looked as if he might carry on the war with Abyssinia for years and bring Italy into poverty, Mussolini was reluctantly compelled to send out Badoglio to finish off the campaign.

He knew Badoglio was a much better man than de Bono, but refused to have him because he was no Fascist but a loyal subject of King Victor.

Events are pointing very definitely towards the King's opportune moment. He is seventy-one years of age, but King Victor thinks earnestly

of the future of the House of Savoy

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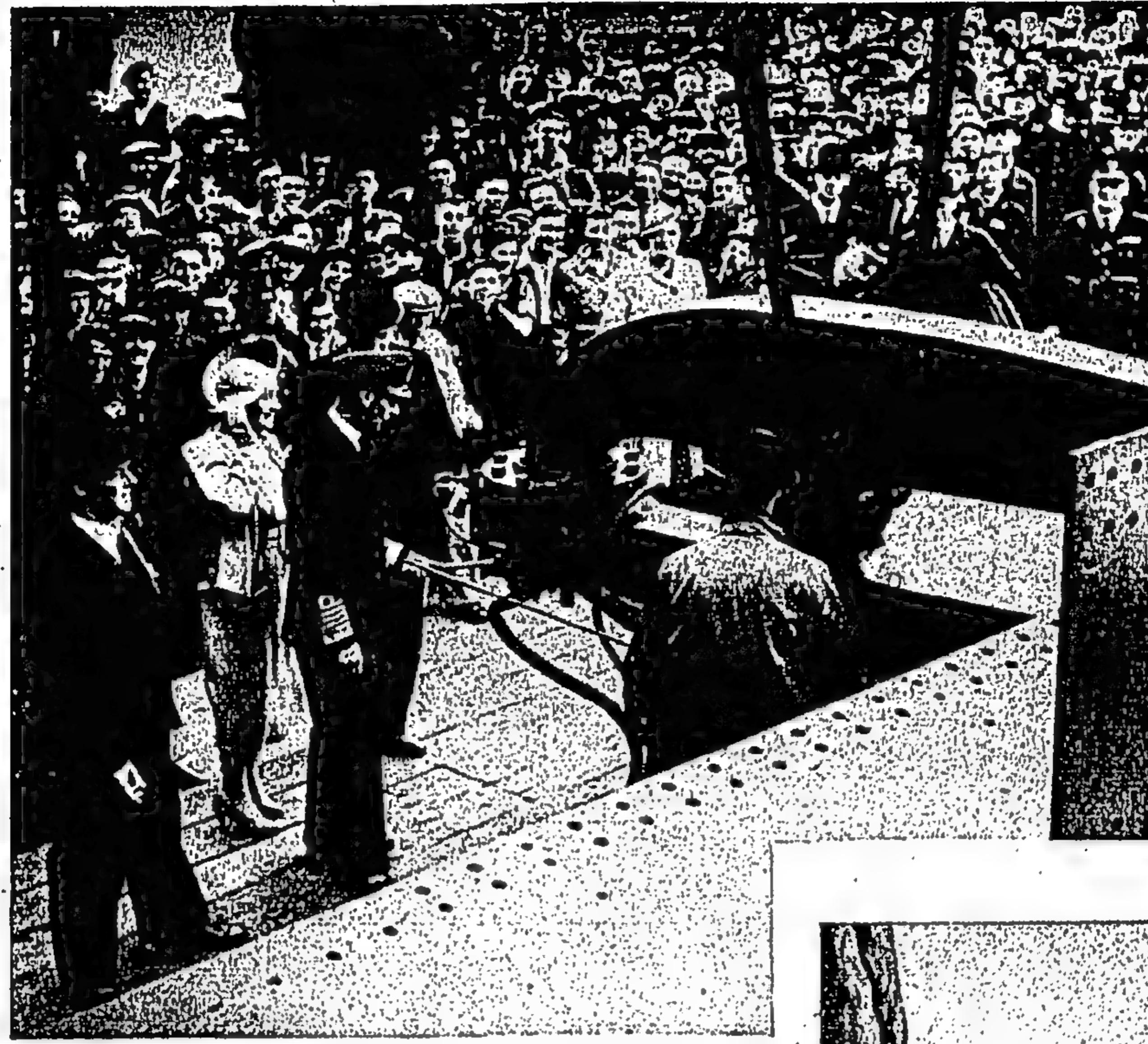
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SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1941



IN THE DESERT—Photo of a survey unit of the Free French Forces at work during the recent Allied drive into Libya.



TOUR OF SHIPYARD—The King and Queen recently made a two-hour walking tour of a famous north-west shipyard, where they both helped to drive home rivets in the first keel plate of a warship.



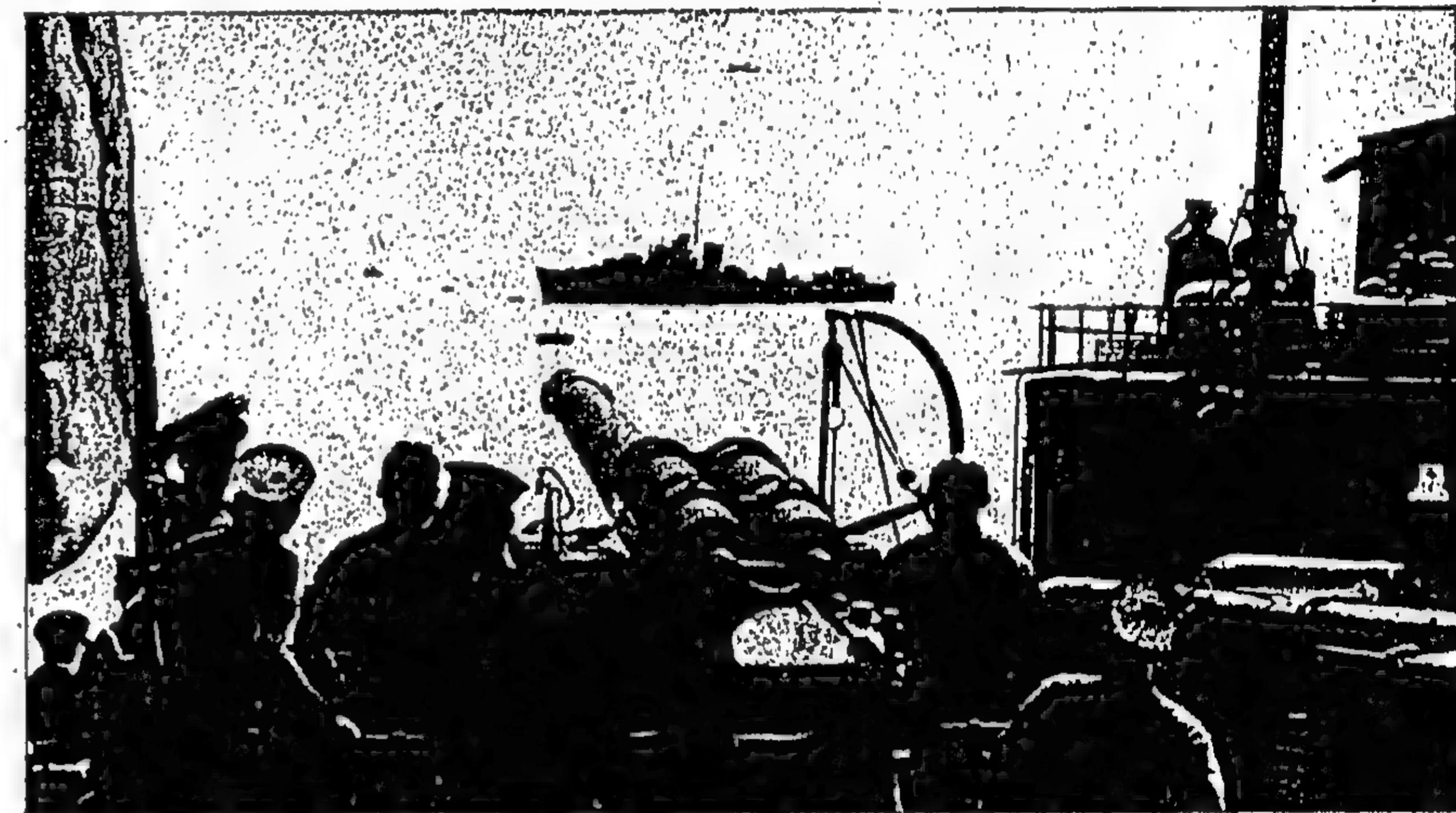
PRESENT FOR HITLER—A 16-inch shell being lowered on to a battleship's deck from the ammunition ship. Each shell weighs a ton and will fire over ten miles.



INDIANS TOAST KING—By Royal invitation, Indian troops in the West of England recently visited the King's farm. They toasted His Majesty in ginger ale.



SEAFORTHS IN MALAYA—A company of the Seaforth Highlanders, formerly stationed in Hongkong and North China, returning from a route march. The Seaforths are now in Malaya.

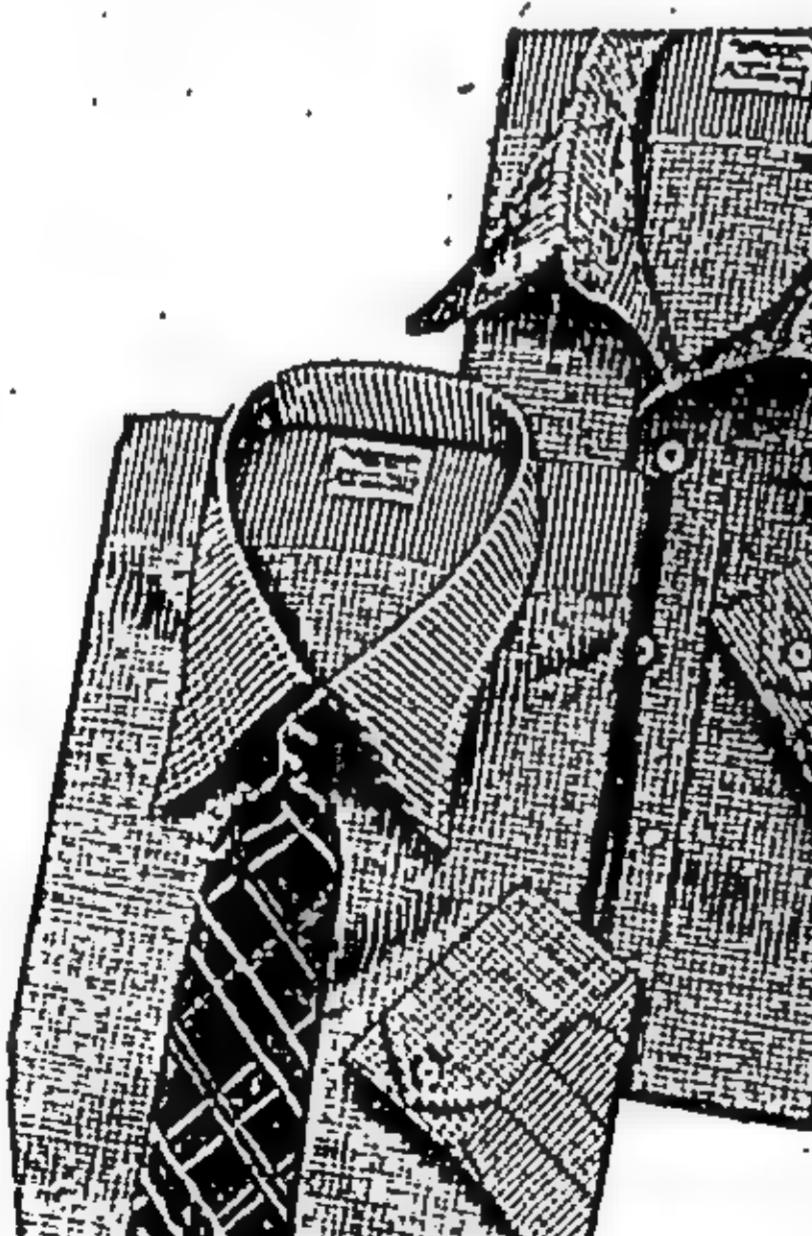


A SPITFIRE is seen in this photograph dive-bombing on a destroyer to exercise the gun crews.



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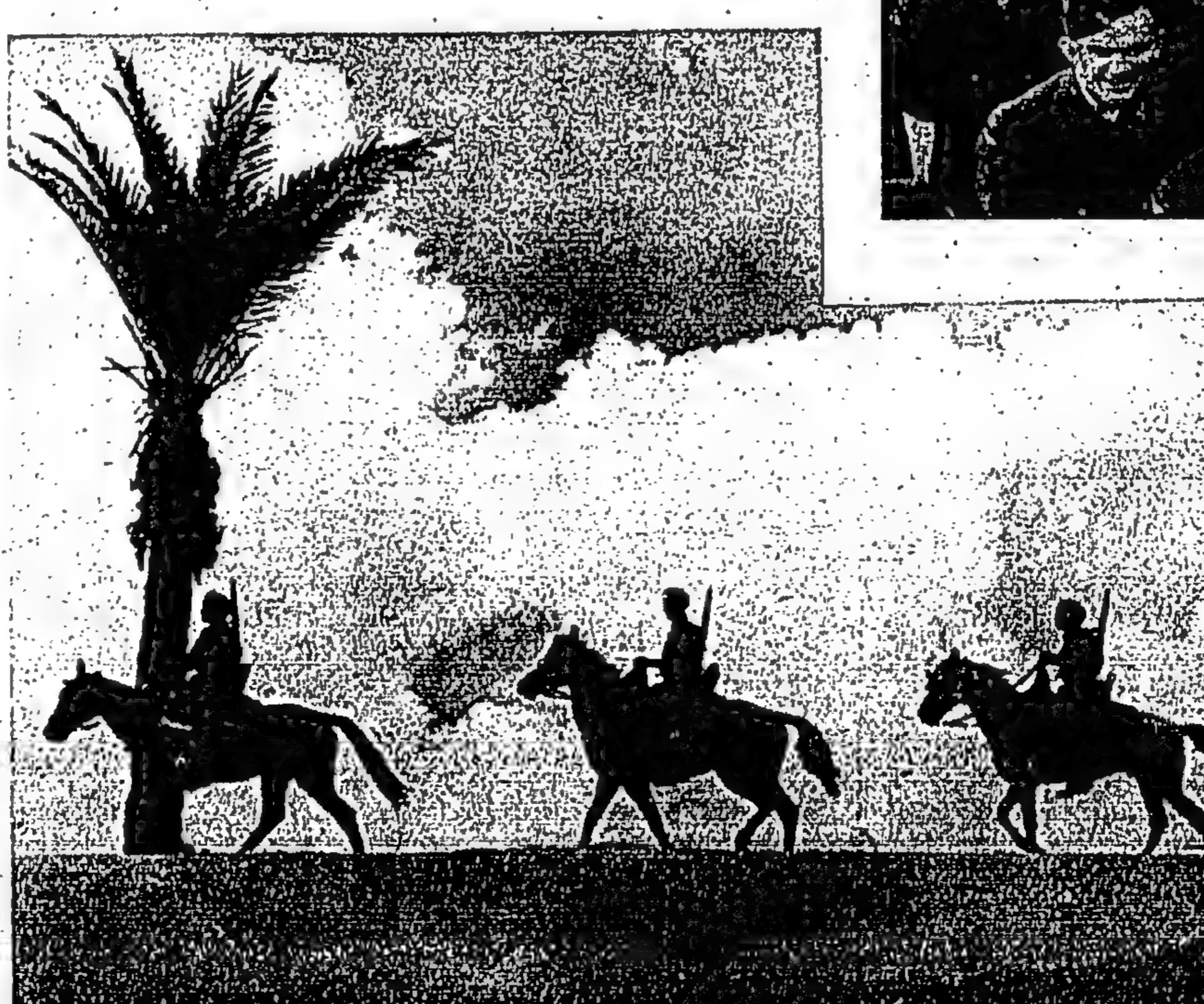


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DESERT LANDSCAPE—Members of a Spahi mounted patrol, attached to the Free French forces, going out for duty amid the dunes at dusk.

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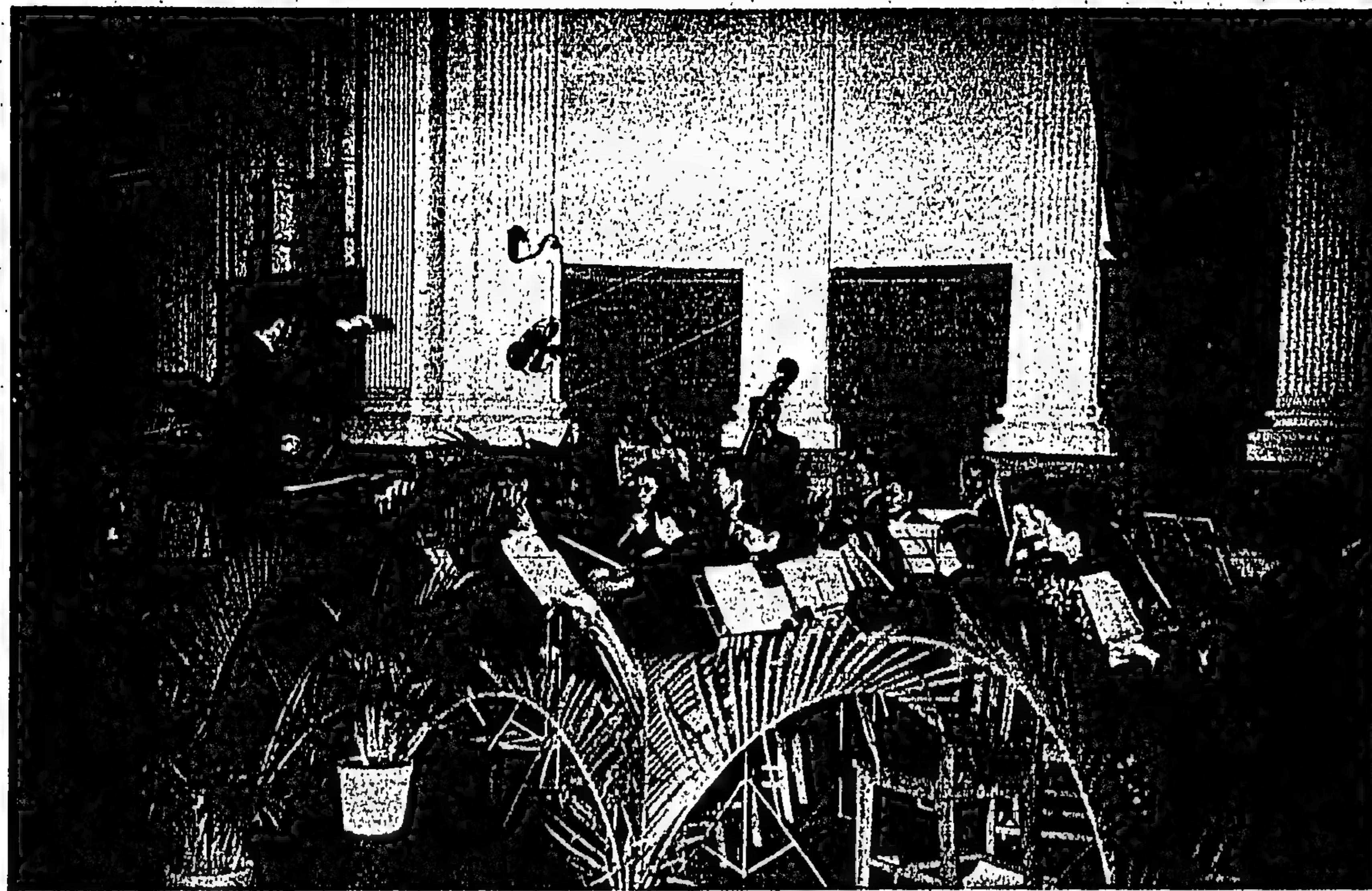
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UNIVERSITY CONCERT—Action picture shows Mr J. R. M. Smith conducting the St John's Hall Music Club orchestra during their recent concert in the Great Hall of the University, given in aid of the Chinese Red Cross, Hongkong Food Kitchens and other charities. (Photo: Peter Cheung).



CATHOLIC PROCESSION—Scene at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception last Sunday, showing the Procession of the Cross in which the entire congregation took part. (Photo: Ming Yuon).



ST JOSEPH'S SPORTS—Photo shows the Matriculation Class of St Joseph's College, winners of the Senior Inter-Class Championship at the recent annual sports. (Photo: Ming Yuon)



WOMEN'S DAY—Dr. Ireno Tseng, formerly Miss Ireno Ho Tung, snapped by the cameraman while speaking at the exercises held at the Caroline Hill stadium last Saturday in connection with the celebration of International Women's Day. (Photo: Sun Ying Ming).



REGISTRY WEDDING—Mr So Kwok-hung and his bride, formerly Miss Sung Ngan-oi, photographed after their recent wedding at the Registry. (Photo: Ming Yuon).

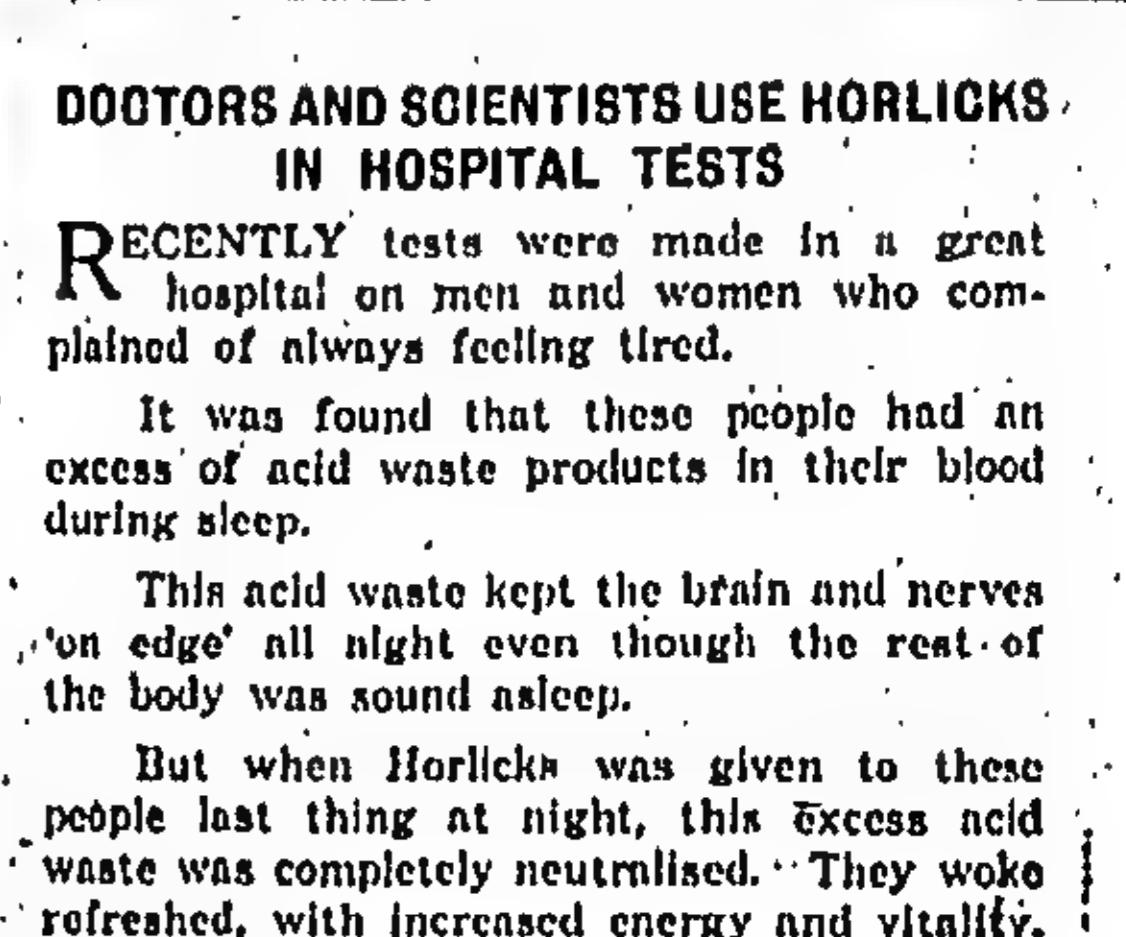
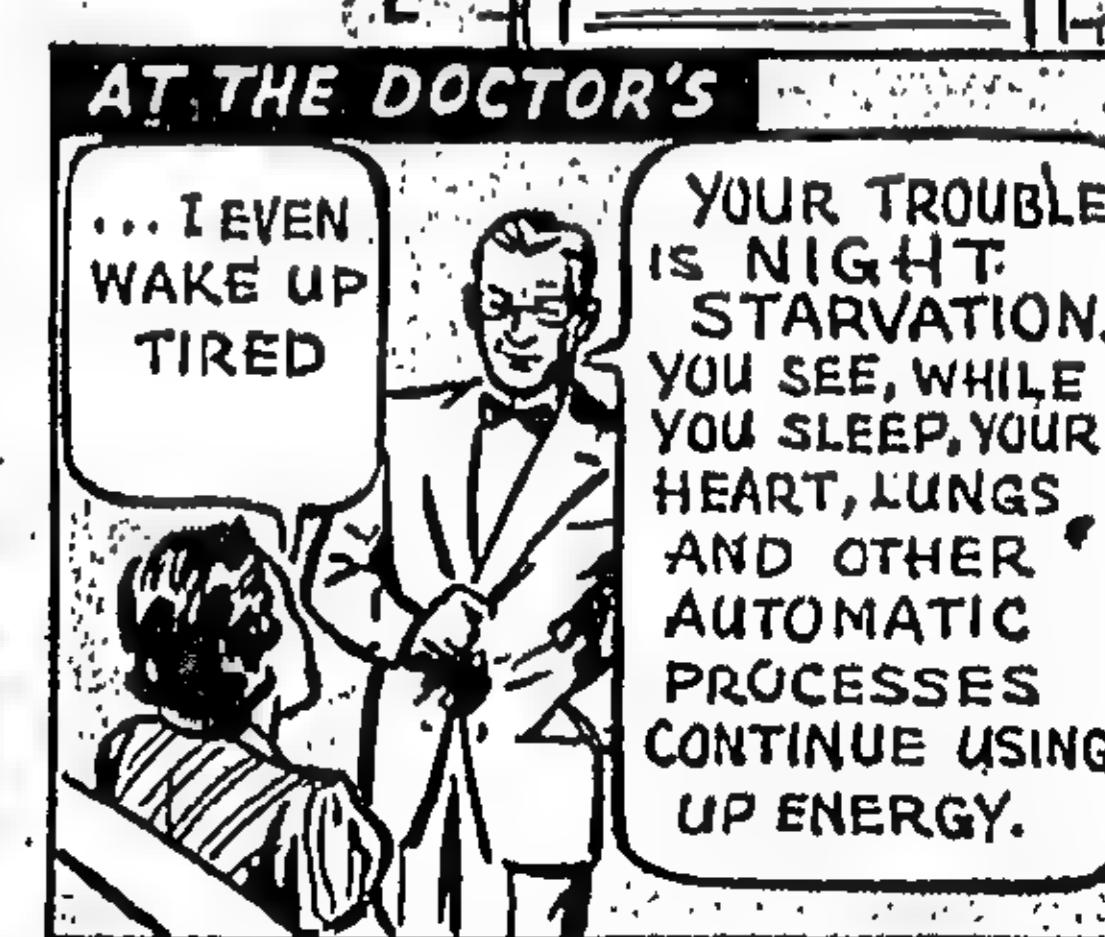
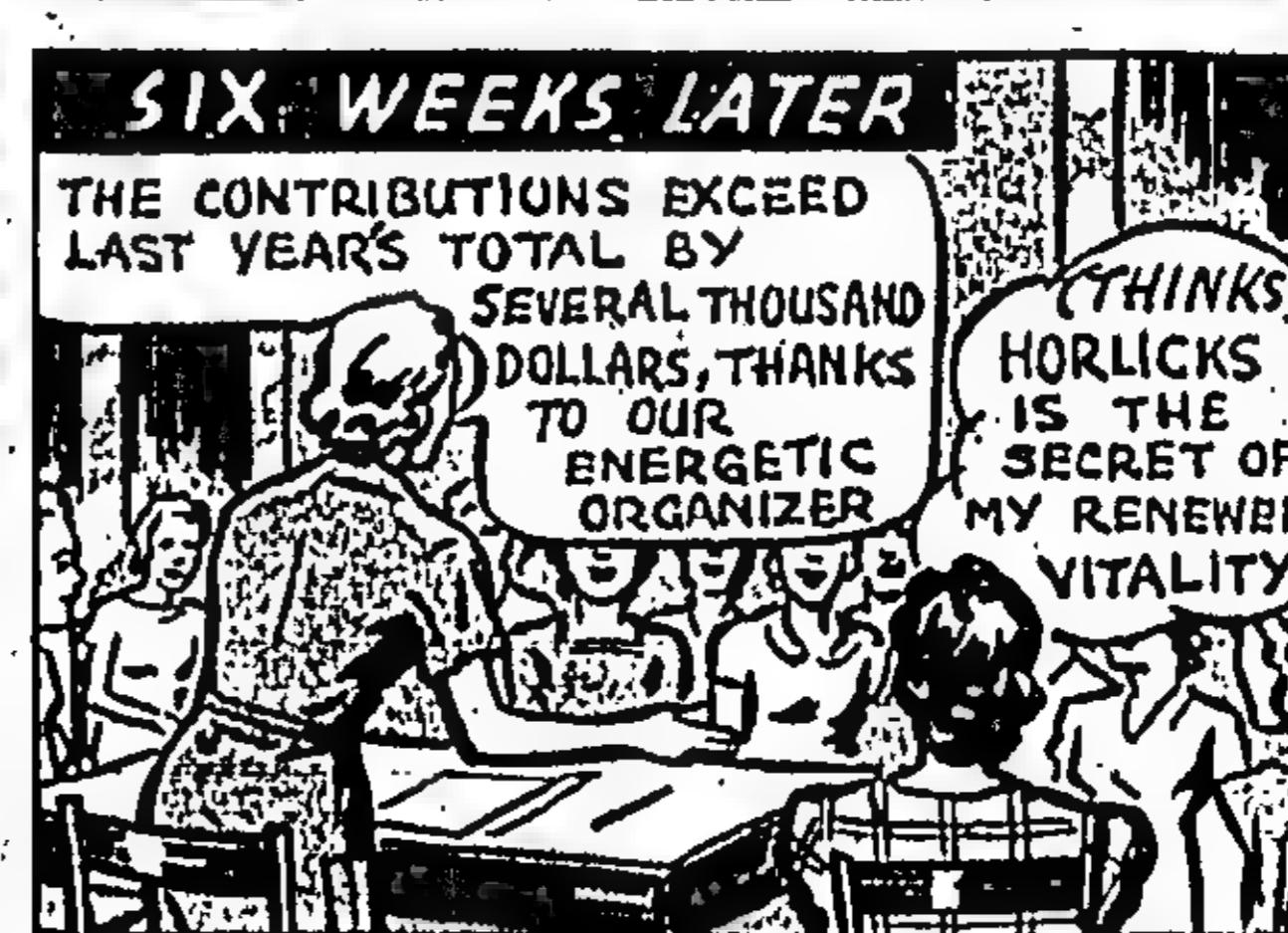
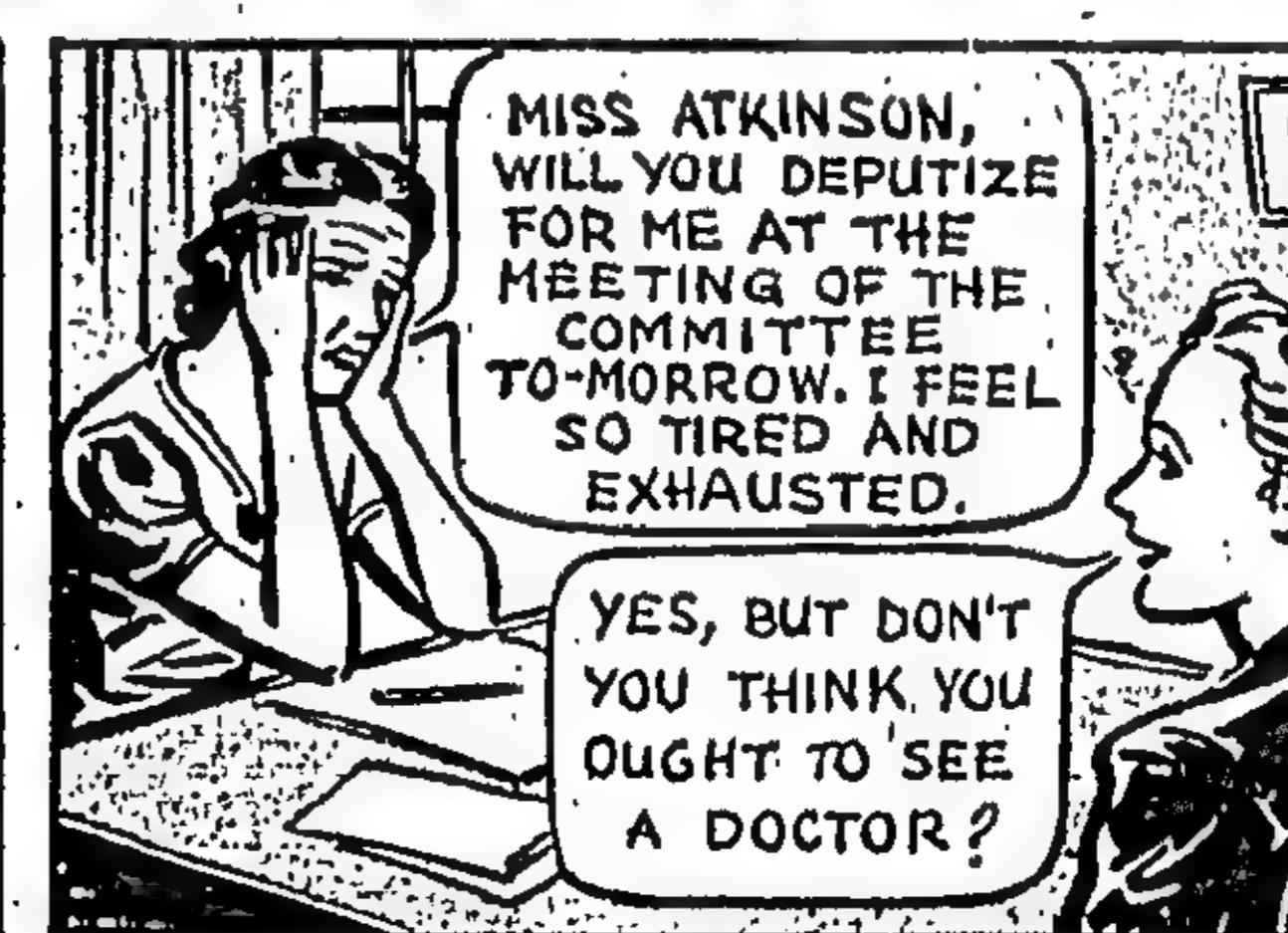
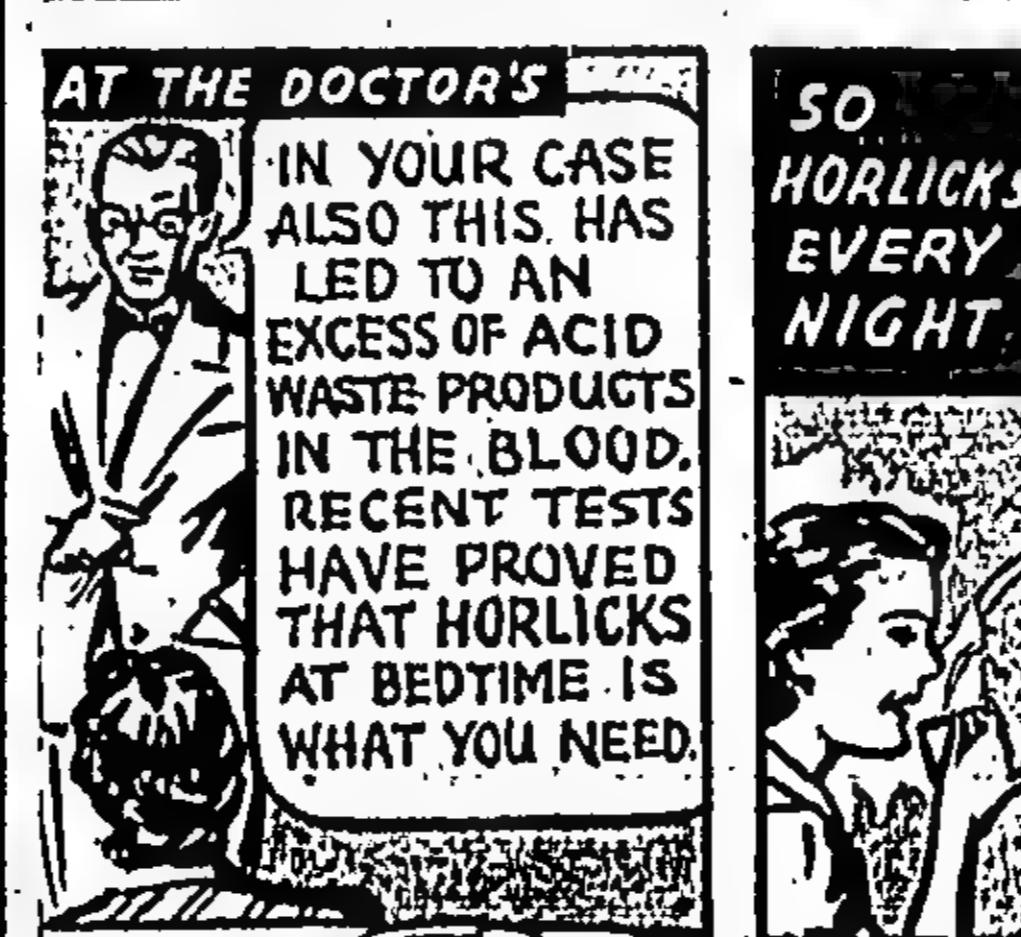


TO AID WAR EFFORT—Scene at the Hongkong Women's International Club last week, when a well-attended bridge and mahjong drive was held in aid of the Bomber Fund. (Photo: Ming Yuon).



MEMORIAL SERVICE—Photo shows well-known Hongkong Chinese residents and Central Government officials who attended the memorial service held at the Confucius Hall last week for the late Gen. Chu Hing-lan, of the National Relief Commission. (Photo: Sun Ying Ming).

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# I Shall Never Forget

## INVASION

By Reginald Foster

"LOOK at those ships—seven of 'em—what are they?" From the cliffs of Dover I looked again. I saw eight, then nine, then ten. Sweeping my glasses round the French coast, more than 30 grey ships could be seen lined up, and I have since heard that the actual number was more than 70.

It was a big German convoy.

I rushed to the telephone with confused thoughts at the back of my mind that this might be (as it was an invasion more—that anything might happen in the next hours—that I might not be able to telephone at all.

But at least I could tell the office something unusual was afoot.

This I did. By then all sorts of things were happening. German bombers were bombing Dover, long range guns were in action against the slowly disappearing German convoy.

Driving into Dover, I found my hotel and a number of buildings around had been heavily bombed.

Then, suddenly, everything calmed down.

That afternoon, which had begun for me with quiet reading on the cliffs, I saw as much as any civilian has of Hitler's invasion fleet.

That day, on September 11, and the days that followed, will always be among my memories—days of great air battles, when we saw hundreds of German bombers held off by our few fighters. For days I was chasing parachutes and watching planes crash.

It was the First Battle of Britain. I do not think we realised it at the time.

## LEAP FOR LIFE By Bishop Marshall

SIX a.m. in the Arctic Ocean on a June morning.

The British destroyer steamed full-speed ahead through the northern-most fjords of Norway out into the open sea, her decks lined with 400 officers and men and myself, the official photographer.

We were evacuating Norway, and Nature was kind, for the gale and the mist meant that we were safe from German bombers.

After eight hours' steaming we saw the troopship which was to take us back to England.

And now Nature was striking back. The seas were so heavy that it was impossible to tie up alongside the troopship, and a plank with a slimy rope was put out from a hole in the steamer's side—and we were rising and falling about 18 feet every few seconds.

We could obviously make only

On this page, noted newspapermen whose comments, reports and photographs regularly appeared in the "Hongkong Telegraph" last year, pick from their crowded memories of momentous events the 1940 experiences that impressed them most.

## ON A MAY DAY

By F. G. H. Salusbury

THE thing I shall never forget is a day—an especially lovely summer day in Belgium, Saturday, May 11. It provided my first experience of a German bombing.

We had been up through Oudenaarde and Brussels to a vague contact with the still invisible German troops.

Confidence was in the air, though the roads were thick with refugees—refugees in cars, and carts, on foot and on bicycles, men swishing through the dust in their heavy robes, old people supporting themselves desperately with the tailboards of farm carts.

On our return, near Alost, the sky seemed suddenly dark with the thunder of engines. The Boche was after the railway line.

We stopped our car. I crouched against an orchard wall. The machine roared overhead, and I saw the bombs fall—one, two, three, four, five, six in a steep line, like the treads of a stair.

Then they exploded; and, as they went off, a Belgian farmer scrambled out of a ditch near me shaking his fist, and screaming his hate of the German.

A hundred yards down the road, we met a policeman "Are you by any chance a doctor, monsieur?" he asked.

He was leading a man by the hand, and the man's face was a mask of blood.

Just as, for me, had become the face of that lovely summer day.

## SYMBOL

By Ritchie Calder

## CHAMBERLAIN

By Maurice Webb

IT was in London's worst bombed ONE scene stands out in a year of memorable events at West Street after street had been reduced to rubble. A grey mist of minister. More clearly than anything else I recall the bewildered, broken dried clay, which had been churned out of the craters by burst mains, figure of Mr Chamberlain rising hung like a mirasma over a district slowly from his seat on the Front dead as Pompel.

At the corner of a shattered street there was a man, lanky and lean, jawed, wandering through the ruins, with only stray cats for company.

With me was a member of the Government. We huddled him, and we talked.

What was he doing back there? On, just exploring the wreck that had been his home to see if there was anything worth recovering.

Where was his family? Gone to his married daughter. He was living in a shelter under the arches, and going to his work each day in the docks.

How did he eat? Well, he just managed somehow. Bread and cheese at the pub, mostly.

So it went on, a story of quiet endurance, of nights under bombardment, of a job of work to be done, of a home that had once been brisk and cheerful and now was—that he was almost too patient.

"I can't say how much I admire you," said the member of the Government. "How do you like it? It's almost too much to expect."

"That's all right, mate," replied the docker with a grin. "We're all in it together, ain't we?"

Sometimes I have had doubts of it, when I have seen doors slammed on the likes of him. But when I want fresh confidence in the future which belong to the people, I remember him.

## THE STRAGGLER

By A. J. McWhinnie

## GOOD CITIZEN By Mea Allan

one jump—to safety, or certain death. Each man was to carry his own kit as he jumped. I had

through glasses up on the destroyer's bridge we watched him leaning comfortably on his own bridge, a grey cloth cap on his head, a pipe in his mouth.

Shells were bursting all round him. But he just went on smoking.

Another 1,000 miles an hour shell from Cap Gris Nez roared past us, sending up great mountains of dense, black smoke where the collier was a second before.

"My God, they've got him!" someone groaned.

The smoke cleared. The collier was still there bobbing serenely along.

The skipper took his pipe from his mouth, spat into the Channel, made the thumbs up sign to us.

Then he went on smoking.

It is my turn. A voice at my side says, "Wait for it, sir!" I am waiting, through it seems an eternity before the voice adds, "It's only one jump, you know, for if you fall down just back from the clammers!"

Pat said: "I got a new pair of shoes only yesterday." All I could laugh—perhaps a shaky sort of

think of was a new egg-beater.

Two shillings it cost. And that was what I was mourning—two shillings. How silly—when hundreds of pounds would not cover the lovingly

freshly caught fish.

I feel that whatever else happens to me during this war, and a lot has happened already, I shall remember that leap, and the few seconds before it, when I am a very old man.

I'd brought Timmy to the shelter, too.

## "DAPHNE"

By Wallace King

I MET her at Dunkirk, at the end of May. Like myself, she had just managed to keep ahead of the Nazi hordes which were pouring through Belgium, and was trying to reach England.

Small and pretty, she still looked well-groomed in spite of the ghastly trek she had made.

I mentally named her "Daphne" and classed her as one of the ornamental but useless type of woman.

Twelve hours later we were among 150 British refugees—mostly women and children—on board one of the ferry boats which in peace time carried passenger train coaches between Dunkirk and Folkestone.

That night Dunkirk was bombed for the first time and the Captain ordered us down to the hold.

For nearly eight hours the harbour was bombed and machine-gunned. Great fires lit up our ship and bombs dropped all around us, rocking the huge vessel like a rowing boat.

How wrong I was about "Daphne." All night long, with the German planes zooming and diving overhead, with the air constantly vibrating with explosions and the crack of machine gun bullets, I never saw her flinch or falter.

All through those terrible hours she moved about in the sudden silence which preceded gloom; reassuring a frightened aged woman here, making a child comfortable there, frequently climbing down to the boilers to heat up food for the dozens of babies.

Then the dreadful dawn, the acrid smell of countless fires polluting the air. She was busy carrying tea around.

Dear "Daphne." She gave me my first picture of the magnificent courage of the women of Britain to-day.

After another night of horror we sailed for "somewhere in England."

When we got to the barrier at the station she could not find her ticket, and I was surprised to see her get flurried and nervous.

Before it could be found in some crevice in her handbag "Daphne"—who had braved two terrible nights of incessant bombing without turning a hair—burst into tears!

I came to Pat's house. Timmy's home.

"Meow!" I heard. And there, sitting on the rubble, was Timmy's paw raised to his feathery pink tongue. A grey Timmy, that had once been ebony black.

And Timmy was licking the dust off, and had only paused to say good morning.

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# A NEW GAME FOR BOOK LOVERS

by  
Sir Hugh Walpole

This week, for a change, I love "the Half Dozen!" Shakespeare, Keats, Wordsworth, Gibbon, Dickens, and so on. That is a conventional question, and so is the next.

No. 2. Who are the six greatest living English novelists?"

Wells (the early Wells only), E. N. Forster, Virginia Woolf, Aldous Huxley, Maugham, May Sinclair (May Sinclair is forgotten, but she is still alive—a most excellent novelist. James Joyce is, in my opinion, a poet rather than a novelist).

No. 3. What books would you take with you if you must live on a desert island for the rest of your days? Only a small box allowed.

Shakespeare, the Odyssey, six Waverley Novels in one volume, Haslett (Nonsuch), Keats's Life Letters, Poems (1 Vol.), The Brothers Karamazov, six Novels of Thomas Hardy in 1 Vol., the Bible, Book of Oxford Verse, Gibbon (in 2 Vols., American edition), Proust. I would have everything here that an average literary man could need. I should like a fountain pen and some paper as well!

No. 4. Whom do you consider the half-dozen most underrated living English writers? Hilaire Belloc, Sacheverell Sitwell, Forrest Reid, N. P. Shiel. No. 1. Who are the six greatest English writers? (I would say here that my young friends with. It seems absurd to head me angrily.

No. 5. Whom do you consider the half-dozen most overrated writers in England?

No. 6. What authors universally considered important are you altogether unable to read?

MY answer is—Peacock, Edmund Spenser, Stendhal, Voltaire. These will do to be going on with.

the list with Hilaire Belloc, but I consider that because of his great variety and the multiplicity of his books he is not yet sufficiently realised for the great writer that he is.

Sacheverell Sitwell is less publicly recognised than his brother and sister. He, too, writes so much that the critics are as yet bewildered. Some of his poetry is magnificent.

Forrest Reid is one of the most delicate and sensitive novelists alive. Read "Following Darkness," "The Bracknells," "Apostate."

N. P. Shiel is the author of those strange books "The Purple Cloud" and "The Lord of the Purple Sea." Of many others also. He has a streak of genius with many impossibilities, obscurities, incredibilities.

Stendhal is my blind spot. I

The one for my taste to be really ashamed of here is Voltaire! Well, I can see that "Candide" and "Zadig" are great works. Voltaire is simply not for me, that's all.

Pencock seems to be a tiresome, unassuming, chattering old man.

"The Faerie Queen" is lovely and unreadable.

No. 7. Who are the best living English storytellers?

Here's a jolly question! Most of the best storytellers are dead, but I would name A.E. W. Mason (facile princeps), Robert Hichens, Dorothy Sayers, Eric Ambler, C. S. Forester

—that is not a bad list to go on with. There is room for one more question only:

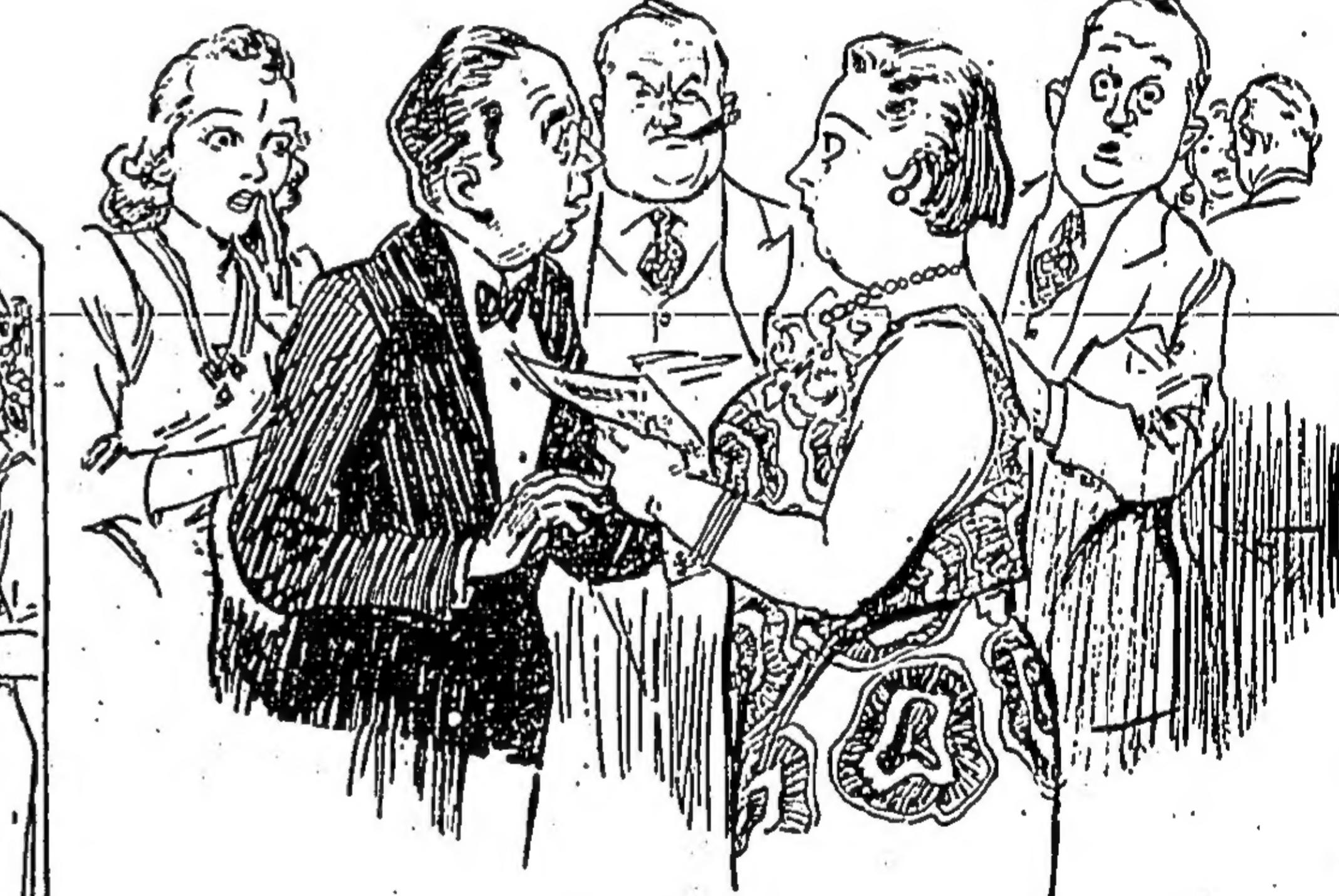
No. 8. What three writers would you yourself like to be a combination of—leaving out the very greatest?

I have no doubt as to my own personal answer—Balzac, Dumas and Keats. What a novelist they would make!

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## YOUNG TOM EDISON

Mickey Rooney gives his most worthwhile piece of acting to date in this fascinating biographical drama which depicts the early life of the famous American inventor—Thomas Edison.

The boyishness of the character, combined with the latent genius in his character, are brilliantly brought out and the human quality of the film is exceedingly good.

There are, of course, thrills mostly concerned with the boy's inventive genius; he amplifies light so that his mother can be operated on safely and saves a train from crushing over a bridge which has been blown up, by an engine whistle to send a message in Morse.

Young Tom is expelled from school for his somewhat disastrous inquisitiveness but the end of the picture shows the start of his recognition as a youth with ideas and genius.

Virginia Weidler is delightful as Tannie, his sister and Fay Bainter and George Bancroft score as their parents.

The film is on at the Queen's and Alhambra.

## FOUR WIVES

"Four Wives," now showing at the King's Theatre, continues the adventures of the "Four Daughters," and tells of the marital life of three of them and the personal tragedy of the fourth.

The development of the story centres around the situation of Ann, the young widow who, about to have a baby by her dead husband, is now in love with a young composer. Her mental obsessions in regard to her husband's brief happiness and her trepidations concerning her new romance provide the emotional impetus of the film.

While the interest of the film is mainly obstetric, there are amusing moments which have little to do with babies. The picture retains much of the charm of its predecessors, with Priscilla Lane appearing again in the role of Ann, and the other Lane sisters, Rosemary and Lola, and Gala Page as the other three sisters.

Claude Rains, May Robson, Jeffrey Lynn, Frank McHugh and Eddie Albert are also in the cast, the last-named giving a commendable and sincere portrayal of a young doctor. There is a brief glimpse of John Garfield, the dead Mickey, in a vision scene.

## MICKEY ROONEY Tops Year's Stars

NUMBER ONE film star in British and American cinemas in 1940 was five-feet-three, snub-nosed, nineteen-year-old Mickey Rooney. This has been established by the poll of British and American cinemas conducted by the American "Motion Picture Herald."

This means that Mickey Rooney has changed places with Deanna Durbin, who was first in 1939 and is now second.

Others in the first ten, in order, are Spencer Tracy, Jeanette MacDonald, George Formby, Nelson Eddy, Errol Flynn, James Cagney, Gary Cooper, and Bing Crosby.

As compared with the first ten stars of 1939, James Cagney and Bing Crosby come in, while Shirley Temple and Robert Taylor drop out.

Shirley Temple has success was foreseen by his temporarily retired at employers, for whom he is estimated to have earned at the box offices of cinemas over £6,000,000 in the past 12 months.

Last September he was given a new contract by which he is paid at the rate of £24,000 a year, out of which he was allowed by the Los Angeles courts £25 a week for personal pocket money and £250 a week for living expenses.

(All contracts for minors in films have to be approved by the Los Angeles courts.)

In the past year, Mickey Rooney has appeared in "Babes in Arms," "Judge Hardy and Son," "Strike up the Band" and "Young Tom Edison," currently showing in Hongkong.

Of British film stars, George Formby and Robert Donat were top, followed by Gracie Fields, Arthur Askey, Lucan and McShane, Charles Laughton, Will Hay, Conrad Veidt, Gordon Harker, and Anna Neagle.

Of these stars, Gracie Fields, Charles Laughton, Conrad Veidt, and Anna Neagle are now in Hollywood.

The Lee Theatre will show "Rebecca" next. A serialisation of this remarkable novel by Daphne du Maurier will run in the "Telegraph" next week—watch for it!

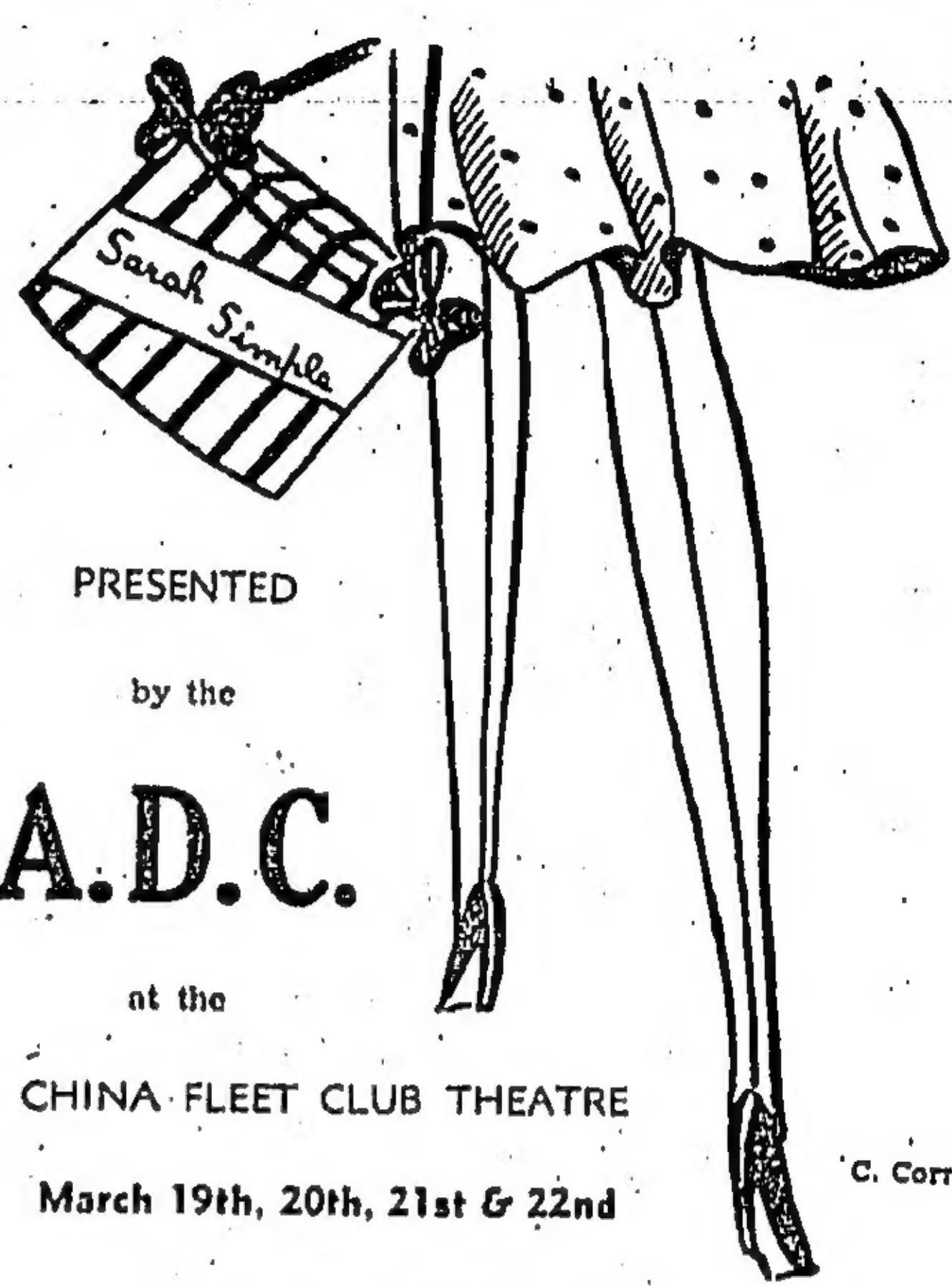
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## TELEGRAPH QUIZ

1. What proportion of water to land covers the earth's surface—2 to 1, 3 to 1, 4 to 1, 5 to 1, 10 to 1?

2. The United States' Johnson Act bans—(a) export of arms (b) volunteering by Americans for service in foreign armies (c) loans and credits to nations which have defaulted on war debts.

3. Charles Lutwidge Dodgson was a popular writer; he used the name of?

4. How many times in 24 hours do eight bells sound in a ship?

5. What are the last twelve words of the Bible?

6. If you said an insect was suscipitidalian, what would you mean?

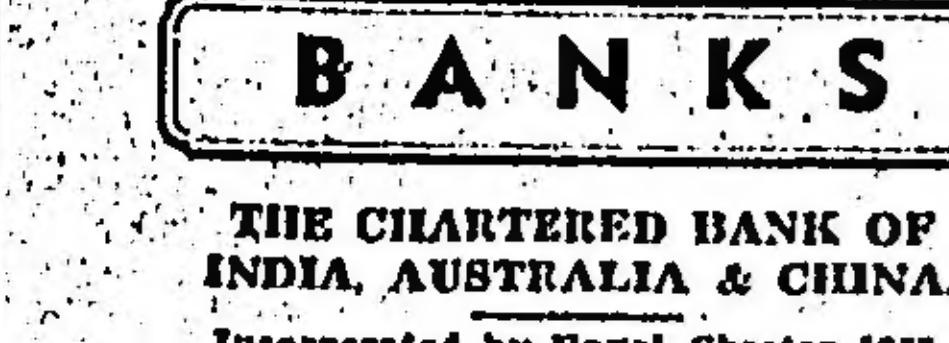
7. A sextant is (a) a person who tolls a church bell (b) sixth part of a circle (c) a stanza of six lines.

8. Vanua Levu is a (a) medicine (b) one of the Fiji Islands (c) province of Armenia (d) Siberian tree.

9. What is a "dead man's handle"?

10. Who watched an apple fall? Who shot an arrow at an apple? Who won a race for a golden apple?

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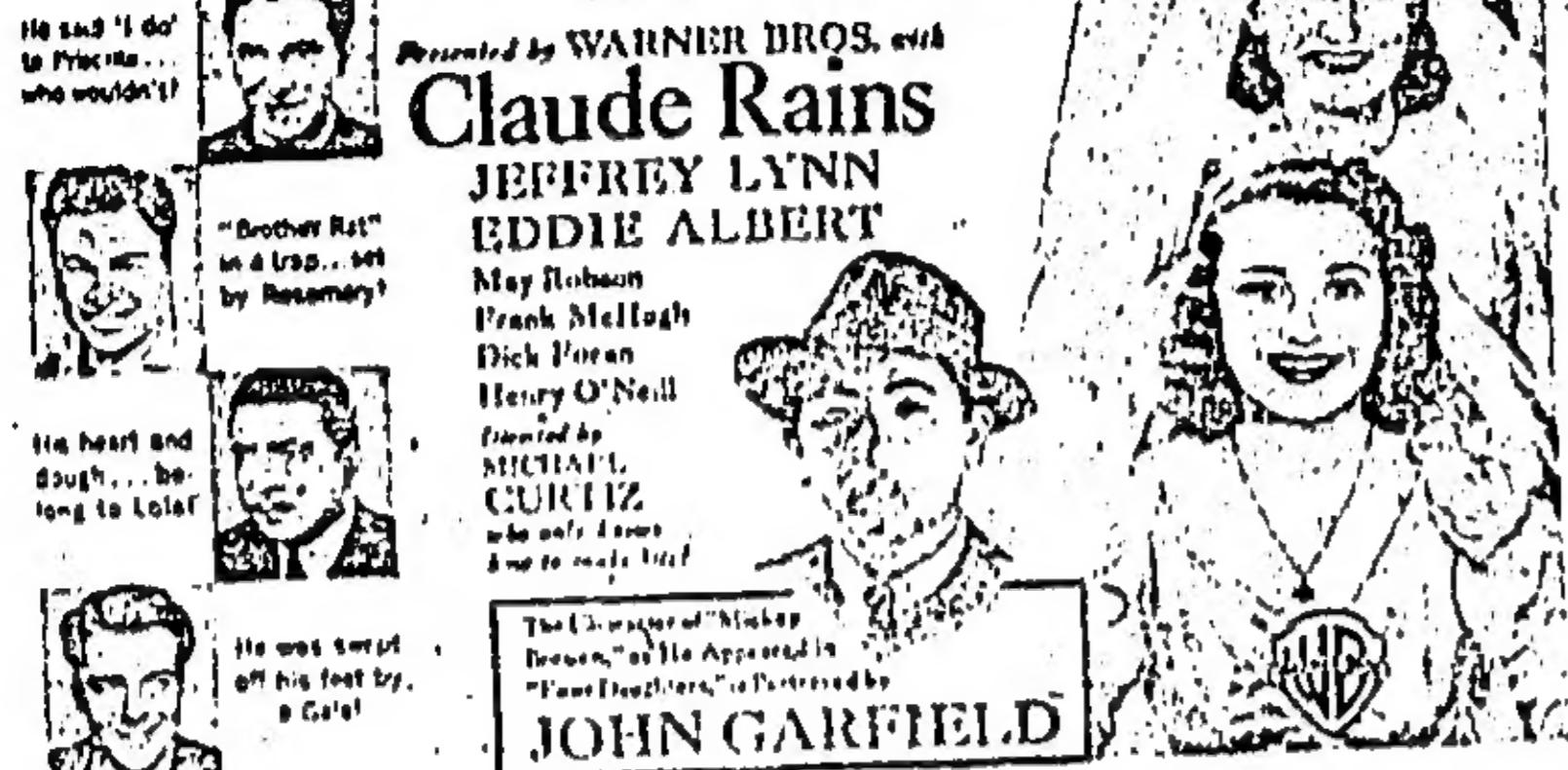
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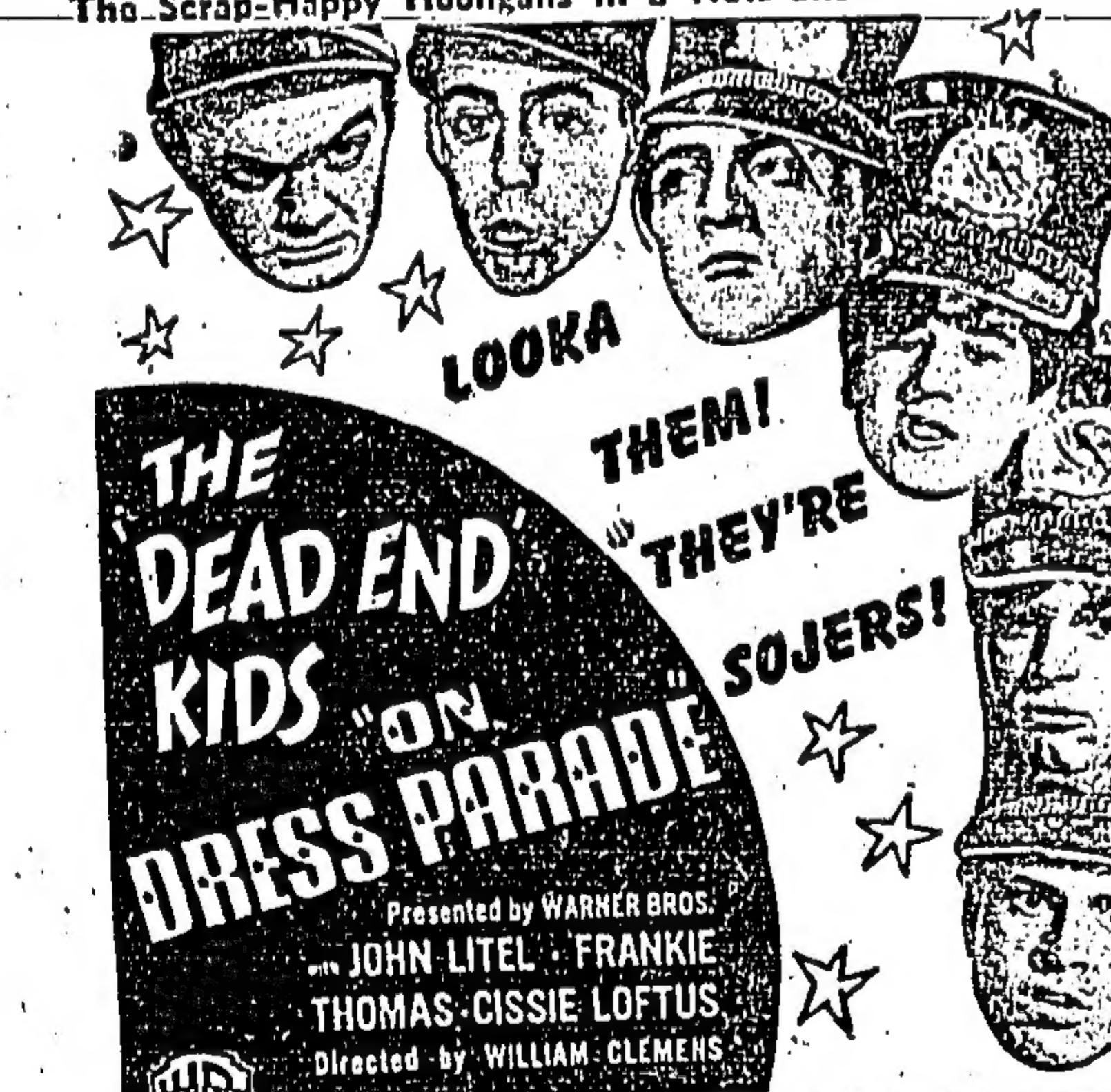
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## TELEGRAPH SATURDAY FEATURE YOUR HEALTH

BY CLAUD NORTH CHRISMAN, M.D.

## LOTS OF GOOD IN BANANAS BUT EAT THEM WHEN RIPE

MRS C. J. Y. of Colorado writes that she is much interested in bananas as a food. She reads so much about them as food for children and in reducing diets. She says she was brought up to believe they were hard to digest and were not good for babies, causing intestinal trouble.

I was taught the same thing in my younger days. But I learned better when I observed that babies who were starving, because all milk and gruels would immediately come up, could keep a ripe banana down.

The trouble with bananas is that they are eaten before they are ripe. Grocers used to tell me they were compelled to throw away bananas that had brown or dark spots on them. People wanted them greenish yellow or bright yellow. Now we know they were throwing away the easily digested bananas and selling the poor ones—those that were lacking both as to digestibility and nourishment.

## Use 'Em When Ripe

Ripe bananas, where the skin is speckled with brown spots, are readily digested. They contain natural fruit sugars, an abundance of easily absorbed minerals and they are good sources of vitamins A, B, C and G. They are a good food for children, and are frequently prescribed as the first solid food for babies.

Such bananas are quickly and easily digested. They supply food and energy and take the place of other sweets which a child so frequently craves. Milk and bananas together produce an almost completely balanced diet. Children who otherwise refuse milk will often take it when poured over sliced bananas.

Bananas are good food for old folks because they require little chewing. They are nourishing and do not cause digestive disturbances and upsets. The minerals of many fruits are held firmly, while those of bananas are easily forming.

Moreover, a banana is a sterile food. Nature seals them in an airtight envelope, which is tough and does not allow germs or dirt to penetrate.

Bananas are an economical food. The price is not high and they furnish a goodly amount of readily available nourishment. They are mildly laxative, but seem to have some effect on the intestinal flora that causes a quieting influence on an irritable colon.

Indeed, in the diarrhoeal condition of children they are often all that is needed. A banana between meals will satisfy most children and keep down their craving for candies, cakes and other sweets.

They are very helpful as a part of reducing diets, because they are filling and are quickly satisfying to the appetite. This quietes the hunger for heavier foods, while providing sufficient nutrient.

Sliced bananas may be prevented from turning brown while standing by dipping them in grapefruit or pineapple juice. Some prefer a sprinkle of lemon juice, which will supply the same effect.

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